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Trooper Aaron M. Harrison, Troop E, was named DPS Employee of the Month for February 2000. The recognition came after Tpr. Harrison took the initiative to investigate reports of anhydrous ammonia theft in his area. Anhydrous ammonia is an ingredient in the production of methamphetamine. Tpr. Harrison contacted all of the Co-op managers in his zone and they confirmed that theft was a problem for them. As a result of Tpr. Harrison's investigation, and in conjunction with the Cape Girardeau Sheriff's Office and the Southeast Missouri Drug Task Force, more than 30 arrests have been made and the investigation continues. Tpr. Harrison was also named State Employee of the Month for May 2000 by Governor Mel Carnahan for his initiative.

As a memorial to Sergeant David C. May, Troop E, the 19th member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to die in the line of duty, the registration numbers of N93MP were changed to reflect Sgt. May's badge number. The 1986 Cessna 182

airplane, assigned to Troop E, was renumbered to N873MP. This became possible through the research and patience of Sergeant John A. Sampietro, Troop E.

Sergeant Robert G. Kimberling, the 20th member of the Patrol to die in the line of duty, was honored also in 2000. Troop H employees and the Missouri Department of Transportation created a memorial just off Interstate 29 at exit 50. The memorial to Sgt. Kimberling is a 50-foot rock outline of the state. In the center is a five-foot diameter piece of granite with a bronze plaque. There is also a newly redesigned adopt-a-highway sign nearby. It is the first of its kind and reads "Family and friends of Sergeant R.G. Kimberling." Both were unveiled in June 2000.

Director Gary Kempker named Trooper Mark D. Ward, Troop I, DPS Employee of the Month for April 2000. Tpr. Ward earned the recognition for his negotiation skills which saved a suicidal man's life. Tpr. Ward was not on duty at the time of the call, but happened to have stopped by the Pulaski County ambulance base. When he heard the call, he notified Troop I and rode with the ambulance crew to the suicidal subject's residence. He talked to the subject for an hour and a half and was able to bring the situation to a peaceful ending.



Governor Mel Carnahan congratulates Tpr. Aaron M. Harrison, Troop E, upon being named State Employee of the Month.

Members of the Patrol have been attending the Missouri Law Enforcement Officers Memorial since its inception. This year's service touched the Patrol once again with the additions of two members who were killed in the line of duty in 1999. Sgt. David C. May, Troop E, and Sgt. Robert G. Kimberling, Troop H, were added to the names on the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial.

Corporal Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H, and Lieutenant David B. Hart, Troop E, escorted the families of Sgt. David C. May and Sgt. Robert G. Kimberling to Washington, D.C., to attend the national memorial service honoring law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

In May 2000, the Patrol honored 17 employees at its 10th Annual Awards Ceremony and The MASTERS Banquet. This year, the Citation of Valor was given to three members. It was presented posthumously to Sgt. Robert G. Kimberling in recognition for the valor displayed in a shooting incident on Interstate 29. (*See page 87, Patrol History.*) Although mortally wounded, Sgt. Kimberling managed to disable his assailant, who then took his own life.

Troopers Darrin K. Lilleman and Lance M. MacLaughlin also received the Citation of Valor

Award. They received the award for their actions on January 4, 1999. That day, Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop A officers and deputies from the Saline County Sheriff's Department served a search warrant at a farmhouse in rural Saline County. Information indicated that a clandestine methamphetamine laboratory was located on the property. When officers arrived, they knocked and announced their presence, but received no answer. Tpr. Lilleman heard the action of a gun being operated in a room off the hallway. He kicked open the door and saw a subject standing in the room pointing a pistol at him.

Tpr. MacLaughlin also saw the suspect. Both troopers identified themselves as such and instructed the suspect to drop his gun. When he failed to respond to the order, Tpr. Lilleman fired a round from his Remington 870 shotgun striking the suspect. After being shot, the suspect continued to point the pistol at the officers and worked the action on the pistol a second time. Tpr. Lilleman fired a second shot, and when the suspect still did not drop the gun, fired a third round. At that point, the suspect fell to the ground, dropping his weapon.



Colonel Weldon L. Wilhoit stands with (from left) Tpr. Lance M. MacLaughlin, Mrs. Lynda May, Mrs. Kelly Kimberling, and Tpr. Darrin K. Lilleman at the annual awards banquet.

A large cache of weapons was located in the residence as well as a working methamphetamine laboratory. The suspect, John R. Ernst, 44, was pronounced dead at the scene by the Saline County coroner. No officers were injured during the incident.

The Memorial Award was presented to the family of Sgt. David C. May, who died as a result of injuries sustained in a Patrol helicopter crash. According to witnesses, Sgt. May guided the helicopter away from businesses, homes, and pedestrians as it fell. This heroic action showed his devotion to serving and protecting the people of Missouri.

Thirty-five full-time eradicators and flight officers attended special training in April 2000. Exercises were conducted at Camp Red Bud in the Lake of the Ozarks State Park. Classes included night vision training, helicopter safety, surveillance equipment deployment/recovery, and CPS systems with related software. The conference concluded with two teams conducting a mission to locate cultivated marijuana plants with coordinates given to them by members of the Aircraft Division. Their goal was to successfully deploy sensors and surveillance equipment without activating any

booby traps. The teams then traded coordinates and tried to locate the field and equipment that had been deployed, again without activating the booby traps. Members from all nine troops took part in the exercise.

Trooper Mory C. McKnight, Troop D, noticed a vehicle moving back and forth between lanes without signaling and initiated a traffic stop. His conversation with the driver led to a number of questions and Tpr. McKnight obtained consent to search the vehicle. Fingerprints on the glove box indicated it had been removed and replaced. Tpr. McKnight also noticed fingerprints on the dashboard and fresh marks on the screw heads near a vent. When he removed the vent, he found a duct-taped bundle. Tpr. McKnight's partner, K-9 Enik, was led around the vehicle and alerted to the dashboard. A further search located 19 kilos of cocaine in duct-taped packages. The estimated street value of the cocaine was approximately \$1 million.

On May 17, 2000, members of the Patrol and the Ozark County Sheriff's Department arrested Gordon Phillip Winrod, 73, his son, Stephen C. Winrod, 33, and daughter, Carol Winrod, 27, and charged them with six counts of child abduction.



Troopers direct traffic at the main gate during the 2000 Missouri State Fair.

The charges stemmed from the kidnapping of six children, ages nine through 16, who had been abducted from their fathers in North Dakota during 1994 and 1995. The children are Gordon Winrod's grandchildren; their mothers, Winrod's daughters, are incarcerated in the Department of Corrections in North Dakota for child abduction-related convictions.

While officers were arresting the three adults, the six children went into the home and secured themselves in an underground bunker. They were not cooperative with authorities, who were taking measures to ensure their welfare and safety. SERT from Troops A, C, D, and F worked alternate shifts and four Patrol negotiators worked around the clock to keep communication with the children continuous.

Sergeant Kirby L. Johnson, Q/DDCC, talked with Gordon Winrod while he was in jail and secured his assistance with the children. Through the efforts of Winrod and the four Patrol negotiators, the children agreed to leave the house and were turned over to juvenile authorities. The incident took place over three days (May 17-20). Gordon Winrod was found guilty of child abduction early in 2001.

Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor I Thomas W. Cross, Troop I, was instrumental in the seizure of 1,394 pounds of cocaine at the Phelps County Sheriff's Department drug interdiction checkpoint. Sheriff Don Blankenship requested CVO Cross' assistance due to his knowledge of commercial vehicles. CVO Cross spoke with the driver and then asked to check the load. He found what appeared to be a false compartment in the front of the truck. Further investigation revealed he was correct, and the bundles of cocaine were hidden within. The two drivers were arrested and the trailer seized. This seizure was instrumental in furthering an on-



CVO Thomas W. Cross

going drug investigation of major drug traffickers on the East Coast.

Just after 7 a.m. on September 7, 2000, three city utility workers and the Bunker city marshal were shot in the city of Bunker, MO, by a citizen over an ongoing dispute regarding the easement to the city lagoon. City Marshal Steven D. Stoops had served easement papers to the suspect's wife on the evening of September 6, 2000. Garry Dewayne Watson, 49, was given the papers when he returned from work at 5 a.m. on September 7. The city workers arrived at the city lagoon and began working just after 7 a.m. that morning at which time Watson went to his truck, retrieved a rifle, and reportedly opened fire. Rocky B. Gordon, 34, and David Thompson, 44, both of Bunker, were killed. Delmar E. Dunn, 51, and also of Bunker, was critically wounded. Dunn was taken to St. Johns Hospital in Springfield, MO. City Marshal Stoops was shot in the right arm and was treated and released from Memorial District Hospital in Salem, MO.

Officers from the Dent County, Reynolds County, and Shannon County sheriff's departments, the Missouri State Water Patrol, the United States Forestry Service, and several other law enforcement agencies worked with the Patrol during the ensuing manhunt to find Watson. The Patrol had more than 85 officers assigned to the manhunt at the time Watson's body was discovered at 4:41 p.m. on September 9, 2000. An autopsy revealed the cause of death to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

The 77th Recruit Class graduated from the Law Enforcement Academy on September 9, 2000, after 26 weeks of intense training. Forty-one new troopers were commissioned that day.

On October 16, 2000, a plane crash took the life of Governor Mel Carnahan, former Chief of Staff Chris Sifford, and Governor Carnahan's son, Randy. Patrol employees were at the crash site, positively identified remains, and assisted during the funeral for Governor Carnahan. Dignitaries from across the nation attended the funeral. There were 264 uniformed officers, 10 radio operators, and three civilians assigned to Gov. Carnahan's funeral. At the private burial ceremony, members of the Governor's Security Division were honored to serve as pallbearers.

A presidential debate between U.S. Vice President Al Gore (Democratic candidate) and Texas



(from left) Mrs. Tipper Gore, Vice President Al Gore, First Lady Hillary Rodham-Clinton, President Bill Clinton, Mrs. Pat Wilson, and Governor Roger Wilson were a few of the dignitaries taking part in the funeral procession for Governor Mel Carnahan.



Members of the Missouri Air National Guard walk beside the caisson bearing the casket of Governor Mel Carnahan.



Governor Mel Carnahan

Governor George W. Bush (Republican candidate) took place October 17, 2000 at Washington University in St. Louis. The Patrol was charged with establishing an outer perimeter to prevent demonstrators from interrupting the debate. Eighty-one members were assigned to the detail from October 16-18, 2000.

A new bullet recovery tank was installed in the Criminal Laboratory Division at General Headquarters. Test bullets are fired from the questioned firearms into a water medium and retained for known standards. The test bullets can then be microscopically compared to evidence bullets from homicides, drive-by shootings, and other shooting-related crimes. The laboratory also obtained a new bullet trap, which is a large, steel box filled with ground up automobile tires. A criminalist shoots into the bullet trap for simple firearm function test or to determine how far a shooter was from a victim. In these tests, the bullet is not recovered. The funding for this renovation came from drug forfeiture moneys allocated to the Patrol to reduce and solve crimes.

DPS Director Gary Kempker awarded Commercial Vehicle Officer Freddie R. Perkins, Troop C, the DPS Meritorious Service Award on November 9, 2000. CVO Perkins was recognized for his distinguished performance during a commercial vehicle inspection. His attention to detail resulted in 5,252 pounds of marijuana being seized.

Thirteen commercial vehicle officers completed 12 weeks of training and were commissioned November 22, 2000.

2001

The 2001 gubernatorial inauguration of Governor Bob Holden was a two-day event. It started with the Celebration of Missouri Heritage at Lincoln University on Sunday and included Monday's inaugural parade and ceremony, a donor barbecue at the Jefferson City airport, an open house at the Governor's Mansion, community activities at the Truman Building, and four inaugural balls. There were 241 members and 16 civilians assigned to the detail providing security.

In January 2001, the first electronically scanned fingerprints were submitted to the Criminal Records and Identification Division. The electronic scans were possible due to the purchase, installa-



Lt. Juan O. Villanueva, Troop D, stands near the Capitol steps during the inauguration.

tion, and testing of eight livescan devices throughout the state in 2000.

The 78th Recruit Class reported to the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on January 16, 2001. Fifty-three troopers graduated on July 21, 2001. The 79th Recruit Class reported to the Academy on October 16, 2001.

Sergeant Sean B. Moore, Troop C, stopped a truck on Interstate 44 in Franklin County on February 12, 2001. The truck was stopped after Sgt. Moore heard noises indicating a tire on the truck was failing and when he saw that ICC numbers, which are required to be visible on the truck, were not readable. After checking the driver's log and shipping papers, and speaking to the driver, Sgt. Moore found inconsistencies in the driver's statements. He asked for and received consent to search. A Patrol K-9 alerted to the presence of a controlled substance in the trailer's cargo and 963 pounds of cocaine was seized as a result.

On February 16, 2001, Sergeant Robert A. "Rob" Guilliams, Troop E, died in the line of duty when his vehicle hydroplaned on a rain-slick roadway and skidded into a concrete bridge abutment. Sgt. Guilliams was on his way to a traffic crash

when he lost his life. He was 41 years old and left behind a wife, son, and daughter. Sgt. Guilliams is the 21st member of the Highway Patrol to die in the line of duty.

The Patrol embarked upon a new media campaign in February 2001. Entitled "Stop The Knock", this program addresses driver inattention, not wearing a seat belt, speeding and drinking and driving. The program title is a reference to preventing troopers from having to serve death notifications following traffic crashes. The kick-off for this new media campaign began with a presentation and showing the "Stop The Knock" video to seniors at Fort Zumwalt High School in O'Fallon.

Thirty-eight employees were honored at the 11th Annual Award Ceremony and The MASTERS Banquet on May 5, 2001. This year, two members received the Citation of Valor. Trooper Martin L. Wiseman, Troop G, was recognized for his valor after a shooting incident in Bunker, MO. Not knowing the shooter's whereabouts, Tpr. Wiseman made his way to the three victims and when he found that one was still alive, he risked his life to remove the seriously wounded victim from the scene and get him to emergency medical techni-



Members of the 78th Recruit Class along with staff members are pictured on their graduation day.



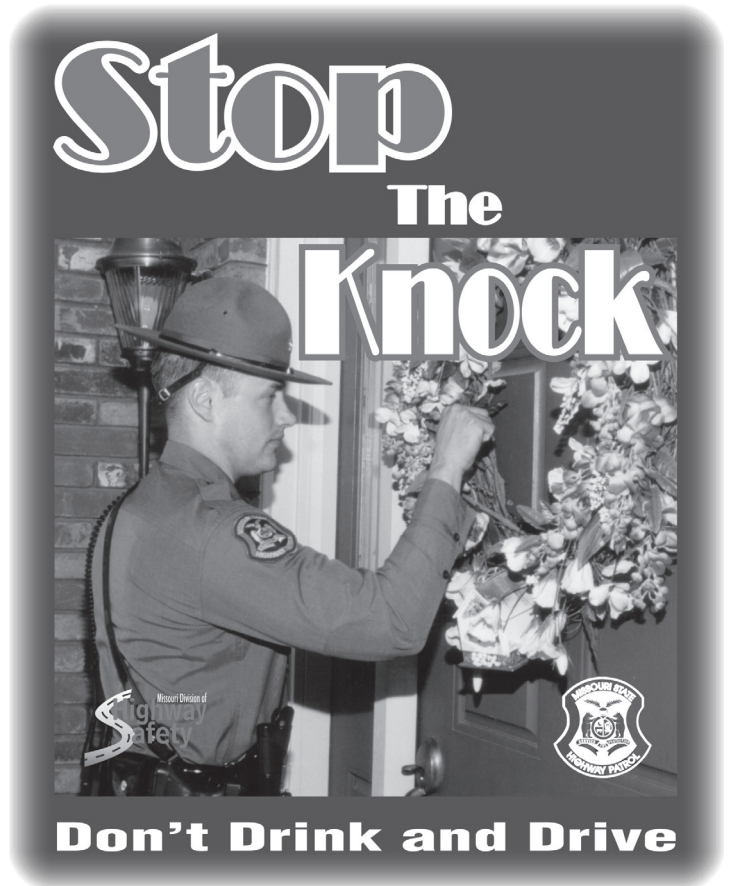
Sergeant Robert A. Williams

cians nearby. Corporal Radnell Talburt of the Missouri State Water Patrol assisted him and was given an Honorary Trooper certificate in appreciation of his bravery and assistance.

Trooper Henry J. Folsom, Troop I, was recognized for his actions during a domestic disturbance in Maries County. The subject was armed, intoxicated, and depressed. He threatened to kill himself and everyone else. During the negotiations, the subject tried to return to his residence. Tpr. Folsom prevented him from entering the house, yet the subject was able to retrieve his rifle and proceeded to aim it at Tpr. Folsom. After Tpr. Folsom ordered him to drop his weapon and the subject refused, Tpr. Folsom attempted to distance himself from the threat. The subject then directly threatened Tpr. Folsom by raising his rifle and preparing to shoot the officer. Tpr. Folsom was forced to stop the threat by shooting the subject.

Captain Charles R. Jackson, Q/TFD, a 26-year veteran of the Patrol, was appointed director of the Department of Public Safety. He was sworn in on May 30, 2001.

Trooper Casey A. Jadwin, Troop I, was selected DPS Employee of the Month for May 2001. The recognition was a result of Tpr. Jadwin's actions in saving the life of a two-year-old girl. The little girl had suffered a seizure, causing her tongue to block her airway. Her mother pulled off the interstate and was holding her lifeless daughter when Tpr. Jadwin came upon the scene. He took the child, laid her on the side of the road, and lifted



Bumper stickers, posters, billboards, etc., with this "Stop the Knock" message were used to launch the Patrol's safety campaign by the same name.



Captain Charles R. Jackson

her chin, allowing her to breathe on her own. Tpr. Jadwin was also selected State Employee of the Month (June 2001) for his actions that day.

The Patrol purchased 2001 Chevrolet Impalas. Each troop received at least one of the new Chevys to evaluate on the road. The Impalas are different from the Crown Victorias in that they are front-wheel drive and have a V-6 engine.

Colonel Weldon L. Wilhoit retired June 1, 2001.

Governor Bob Holden appointed Colonel Roger D. Stottlemire as the 19th superintendent of the Patrol effective June 1, 2001.

Troop H has a memorial in front of its headquarters honoring the two members from that troop who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The memorial is a cross bearing the names of both Cpl. Henry C. Bruns and Sgt. Robert G. Kimberling placed in a small, landscaped area. The American Civil Liberties Union (A.C.L.U.) claimed the cross was a religious symbol and demanded it be removed. The community rallied support for the cross and the A.C.L.U. decided to drop the complaint.

Mr. William E. Marbaker was named assistant director of the Crime Laboratory Division on June 16, 2001. He is the first civilian in Patrol history to hold that position.

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson presented a Meritorious Service Award to Trooper Neil R.

Poynter, Troop I, in July 2001. The award stems from Tpr. Poynter's actions on February 10, 2001. Tpr. Poynter responded to a call indicating that a tractor-trailer was disabled on the eastbound off ramp of exit 163 on Interstate 44. While the driver placed warning triangles for oncoming traffic, Tpr. Poynter placed flares on the road. When they were alongside Tpr. Poynter's car, a pickup truck ran over the triangles and began skidding toward them. Tpr. Poynter pushed the driver of the tractor-trailer over the trunk of his patrol car and then jumped onto the trunk himself to avoid being struck by the pickup. Tpr. Poynter, after a short investigation, was able to identify, interview, and obtain a confession from the driver of the pickup truck that almost hit them.

Lieutenant Lee Ann Kenley attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy from July 1, 2001 through September 7, 2001. She is the first female member of the Patrol to do so.

Representatives from the Information Systems Division installed Internet access and electronic mail capabilities at each of the nine troop headquarters.

Jerome Mallett was executed on July 11, 2001. Mallett was convicted of the 1985 murder of Tpr. James Froemsdorf. Mallett's last words included an apology to the Froemsdorf family.



Cpl. Paul D. Kerperin, Troop F, is pictured with a 2001 Chevrolet Impala.



Colonel Roger D. Stottlemire

The last week of July, 80 troopers were assigned to the Hell's Angels detail in Branson. The notorious biker organization held a rally there that seemed to be better attended than previous rallies at the Lake of the Ozarks. It was estimated that more than 400 club members attended. Branson police requested assistance from the Patrol and, afterward, acknowledged their gratitude for the Patrol's involvement in the week-long detail.

On August 11, 2001, Trooper Kyle D. Wilmont, Troop E, responded to a call regarding a child in danger near Gate 1 of the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia. Upon his arrival, it became evident that this was indeed the case. The three-year-old child's mother was distraught and believed to be intoxicated. She was swinging the child toward traffic and refused to place her daughter into a nearby stroller as Tpr. Wilmont commanded. The woman turned and ran into a six-foot deep ditch filled with rocks. When Tpr. Wilmont attempted to detain her, she threw her child toward the rocks. Tpr. Wilmont was able to catch the child in his left arm while maintaining



Mr. William E. Marbaker

control of the mother. The woman then attempted to flee, forcing the officer to lose his balance. As they fell forward toward the rocky ground, Tpr. Wilmont held the child up into the air to prevent injury.

A passing motorist then offered to hold the frightened child, so Tpr. Wilmont could subdue the mother. The child was not injured due to Tpr. Wilmont's quick actions and control of the situation. The little girl was released later into the custody of family members. The mother was arrested for endangering the welfare of a child, assault on



Sgt. Terry R. Moore, Troop D, talked with several of the bikers and had his picture taken with this Hell's Angel from Rhode Island.

a law enforcement officer while in an intoxicated condition, and resisting arrest.

The Patrol, DEA, and USDOT co-sponsored the 11th annual Commercial Vehicle Drug Interdiction, Intelligence, and Training Conference in St. Louis from August 27-31, 2001. This conference drew over 500 federal, state, and local law enforcement officers from the United States and Canada. Its purpose was to share information and to recognize the hard work of those in commercial motor vehicle enforcement.

Sergeant Hubert Looney, Troop C public information and education officer, retired September 1, 2001, after 24 years of service. He was the first African-American member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to retire. Sgt. Looney was a member of the 46th Recruit Class. He said that though he is proud to be the first African-American to retire from the Patrol, he is even more proud that he can say he treated everyone fairly and kept his integrity intact throughout his career.

September 1, 2001, Major William K. Seibert Jr. was promoted to lieutenant colonel and became the first African-American assistant superintendent in the Patrol's history. As assistant superintendent, Lieutenant Colonel Seibert has direct supervisory



Lieutenant Colonel



Captain Sandra K. Karsten

responsibility for the Public Information and Education Division, the Professional Standards Division, and the Patrol's legal counsel. Lt. Colonel Seibert was also the first African-American to be promoted to major (1997).

Also September 1, Captain Sandra K. Karsten was assigned division director of the Human Resources Division at General Headquarters. She is the first female captain and first female division director in the Patrol's history.

In response to the terrorist attacks September 11, 2001, in New York City and Washington, D.C., where hijacked commercial airplanes were flown into both of the World Trade Center towers and the Pentagon, the Patrol was placed on alert status. For security reasons, with the exception of the main entrance to each building, the doors were locked at General Headquarters and all nine troops. It is the first time the Waggoner building's rear and side entrances were locked during business hours. A security card system was installed shortly thereafter, enabling employees to enter the building through those locked entrances. The Patrol also added officers to its Organized Crime Unit within the Division of Drug and Crime Control. These additional officers will focus on gathering information about suspected terrorist activities in Missouri. Troopers also worked special security details at airports and state office buildings for several months after the attacks.

On September 17, 2001, Troop H hosted a ceremony to rename a portion of Interstate 29 in



Sgt. and Mrs. Hubert Looney

honor of fallen member Sergeant Robert G. Kimberling. Missouri Department of Transportation Assistant District Engineer Tom Alvers presented the new signs that are posted at the Frederick Avenue interchange and at the north junction of U.S. Highway 169.

The Division of Drug and Crime Control co-sponsored a Clandestine Laboratory Investigation Association Conference in Kansas City, MO, with the Drug Enforcement Administration and Kansas Bureau of Investigation. This conference, held September 17-21, 2001, included over 300 law enforcement personnel from the United States, Canada, and Jamaica.

To celebrate the Patrol's 70th anniversary, Troop A Honor Guard acquired 1931 uniforms for its flag bearers. These uniforms were purchased using monetary donations from retirees and local businesses. The rifle escorts wear the present day uniform. In addition, the troop created a special order governing procedures and protocol of this honor guard.

Missouri was one of 12 state police agencies to receive grant monies from the Department of Justice and Community Oriented Policing Services for the purchase of in-car video cameras. The Patrol received \$150,000, which allowed for the purchase



After the attacks of September 11, 2001, the Patrol upgraded building security by adding a card reader/building access system at the GHQ complex. Clerk Typist Alicia Hammen, Q/HRD, uses her access card to enter the Waggoner Building.

of 40 cameras.

The Patrol joined the Missouri Department of Transportation, Missouri Division of Highway Safety, the Federal Highway Administration, and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials to promote "Put The Brakes On Fatalities" Day on October 10, 2001. The ceremony at Missouri's Capitol coincided with one in Washington, D.C. "Put The Brakes On Fatalities" Day highlighted the importance of roadway safety through personal experiences and statistics.

The Patrol continued its drug interdiction efforts in 2001. Troopers made 156 arrests related to the seizure of 22,942 pounds of marijuana and 2,130 pounds of cocaine from Missouri's roadways. The Patrol seized 669 clandestine methamphetamine laboratories during the year, bringing the state total to over 2,000. Operation Cash Crop re-



Troop A's Honor Guard includes (l to r) Tpr. Russell W. Shaul, Tpr. D. Scott Nace, Cpl. Dale O. Jinkens, and Sgt. Bruce M. Johnson.

sulted in the destruction of 61.9 million marijuana plants in 2001.

The Patrol's Information Systems Division was instrumental in the procurement of Mobile Computing Devices in 2001. These devices were installed in approximately 163 patrol vehicles. Troopers used these devices along with the necessary communications equipment and related software to access MULES directly and create uniform complaint and summons, traffic crash reports, officer activity forms, and the criminal incident form on scene.

Troop A opened a new weigh station on Interstate 70 in Lafayette County on December 6, 2001. This facility replaced the old A-3 weigh station, which had been in service for approximately 35 years. The new, state-of-the-art weigh station will enhance the Patrol's ability to efficiently enforce commercial vehicle laws and federal regulations.

The Isle of Capri Casino opened in Boonville, MO, on December 6, 2001. This brought to 11 the number of casinos regulated by members of the Patrol Gaming Division.

2002

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson named Sergeant Elvin A. Seals, Q/GD, DPS Employee of the Month for January 2002. The recognition came following an investigation at then-Stations Casino (which later became Ameristar Casino) in St. Charles, MO. Sgt. Seals led the team that discovered approximately \$2.1 million had been stolen from the casino over a period of two years by an elaborate employee scheme. Ten suspects were

Troop A's honor guard presented the colors at the opening session of the Missouri House of Representatives in January 2002.



identified and eight were arrested in March 2001.

President George W. Bush visited southwest Missouri on January 14, 2002. He arrived at Springfield/Branson Regional Airport en route to the MFA grain mill in Aurora, MO. Fifty-one troopers were assigned to the security detail, including the members of Troop D's SERT.

While investigating a three-vehicle crash, Trooper Kelly L. Poynter, 27, was struck and killed by another vehicle on January 18, 2002. The initial traffic crash involved a tractor-trailer unit and two cars, and was an injury crash. Tpr. Poynter and Corporal Clint E. Dill, Troop G, responded to the scene on U.S. Highway 63 two miles south of Houston, MO. While they were investigating the crash, a 2001 Dodge pickup truck approached the scene, failed to yield, and sideswiped Tpr. Poynter.



Pictured is the new A-3 scale house near Mayview, MO.



Trooper Kelly L. Poynter

ter's patrol car. A tow truck driver and his son, who were standing with Tpr. Poynter, survived the incident. Tpr. Poynter is survived by his wife and two young sons.

The superintendent created an "executive officer" position on April 1. This uniformed member is available to assist the Missouri Legislature. Duties include providing information, tracking legislation affecting the operation of the Patrol, and keeping the superintendent informed about current political issues. Having an executive officer allows the



On February 8, 2002, a ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening took place for the new scale house located on Interstate 55 near Steele in Troop E.

superintendent to remain involved and informed regarding legislative matters. At the same time, he has the ability to focus on his main priority of directing a large state agency. Lieutenant J. Bret Johnson was the first to fill the executive officer position.

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson honored Corporal Terry L. Mast, Troop D, naming him DPS Employee of the Month for April 2002. Cpl. Mast developed a voucher program designed to help families in need obtain a child car seat. The program is a partnership between the Knights of Columbus and the Patrol. After a traffic stop, if a trooper feels that economic reasons prevented the family from owning a child car seat, the trooper may give the family a voucher. This voucher covers the cost of a car seat at the local Wal-Mart.

The Combined Ozarks Metropolitan Enforcement Team (C.O.M.E.T.) arrested over 70 people for their involvement in a Mexican drug trafficking organization that distributed multiple kilograms of cocaine, methamphetamine, and heroin from California, Texas, and Guatemala. Members of the Patrol were instrumental in the 27-month investigation that resulted in the seizure of drugs exceeding \$300,000 in street value and 109 weapons.

The Safety Education Center celebrated 20 years in April 2002. The center continues to be a popular part of the legislative tour. Each year, over 12,000 visitors come to the SEC, many of them school children.

Automotive Technician III Bruce F. Brookshire was awarded a DPS Meritorious Service Award in March 2002. Brookshire was honored for developing and implementing a moneysaving safety program. The program ensures that every Patrol vehicle repaired following a crash is safe to drive before returning to the road.

Auto. Tech. Brookshire systematically inspects each vehicle when it is returned to ensure the repairs were done properly and in accordance with the repair agreement. The inspections are completed prior to payment being made. This program saves the Patrol money and time spent negotiating disagreements with repair shops.

The 79th Recruit Class graduated on April 20, 2002. Twenty new troopers were commissioned that day. Trooper Joe L. Armistead graduated in the class. His wife, Teri, is the daughter of Tpr.

James Froemsdorf, who died in the line of duty in 1985.

A tornado ripped through the Troop G area on April 27, 2002. The Troop G Headquarters building was damaged, and its 325-foot communications tower was laid down in one piece in the direction of the tornado's path. The falling tower landed on a home, pickup, and a motorcycle, but didn't cause any injuries.

The Patrol honored 24 employees at the 12th Annual Awards Ceremony and MASTERS Banquet. This year, the Citation of Valor was awarded to four members. Sergeant Marc A. McCalister, Troop C, was honored for his actions during a vehicular pursuit. After the suspect's car crashed, he fired upon the approaching officers when told to show his hands. Sgt. McCalister returned fire, after which the suspect fell forward and was still. Sgt. McCalister's actions prevented the other officers and himself from being injured or killed.

Sergeant Todd A. Zacher, Troop H, and Corporal William S. Sims, Troop H, were honored for their brave actions regarding a traffic crash. A van traveled off the roadway and became submerged in a creek. Both troopers risked their lives in 60-degree water, making numerous dives, and fighting the swift current to free a child from the van. Tragically, the child did not survive.

Trooper Donald L. Doza, Troop F, was honored following his actions during a traffic stop. He responded to a call for assistance from Captain Wolfe of the Cooper County Sheriff's Department. When he arrived, he observed the subject retrieve a 9 mm handgun from under his seat and point it toward the window, where Capt. Wolfe would be standing. Tpr. Doza tapped on the passenger side of the vehicle and ordered the subject to drop the weapon. Capt. Wolfe returned to the vehicle and the officers subdued the subject after a struggle. Tpr. Doza's actions saved the life of Capt. Wolfe that day. Tpr. Doza was also named DPS Employee of the Month for July 2002, due to his actions during this incident.

On June 10, 2002, an armed man entered Conception Abbey in Conception, MO. He then proceeded to kill Father Philip Schuster and Brother Damian Larson, and wounded Father Kenneth Reichert and Father Norbert Schappler. The shooter, Lloyd Jeffress, then walked back into the Basilica and took his own life. Troop H Headquarters



A tornado laid the Troop G tower down in 2002. No one was injured.

received a call during the shooting and dispatched officers to the scene. The Maryville Department of Public Safety, Nodaway County Sheriff's Office, Troop A SERT, Troop A Major Crash Investigation Team, and DDCC investigators assisted.

Sergeant Jack R. McMullin, Troop D, stopped a vehicle for following another vehicle too closely. After speaking to the driver, Sgt. McMullin became suspicious and began asking questions. The driver's answers and her nervousness led Sgt. McMullin to ask for and obtain permission to search the vehicle. The search yielded 3,998 bottles of Ketamine, a controlled narcotic. This is the largest seizure of its kind in Missouri and in the top 10 seizures in the United States.

During the 2002 legislative session, lawmakers made decisions that directly affected the Patrol. HB 1196 removed the Patrol's funding cap. HB 1270 and HB 2032 affected motor vehicles and traffic regulations. One item in the list: Drivers are required to reduce speed, proceed with caution, and change lanes on multiple-lane highways where possible when they approach stopped emergency vehicles with lights flashing. This bill is known as the "Move Over" bill.

Trooper Brian C. Logan, Troop H, attempted to stop a vehicle on June 2, 2002. The driver fled, but after a short pursuit, he was arrested. Tpr. Logan discovered two syringes full of methamphetamine, a loaded .357-caliber revolver, an M-11 assault handgun, night vision equipment, and other unmarked pills in the vehicle. Tpr. Logan's arrest gave the information needed to obtain a warrant.



Pictured is Conception Abbey in Conception, MO. The abbey was the site of a shooting in 2002.



Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H, walks with Nodaway County Sheriff Ben Espey (center) and Abbot Gregory Polan (right).

When the officers served the warrant, a fully functional methamphetamine laboratory was seized with more finished methamphetamine than any other lab seized this year.

On August 7, 2002, Troop D's helicopter, 98MP, crashed next to U.S. Highway 65 in Springfield, MO. The tail rotor fell off the aircraft shredding the left vertical stabilizer. The pilot, Sergeant David A. Callaway, and a passenger, Sergeant Matthew K. Funderburk, survived the crash. Both officers recovered and returned to duty.

Thirteen CVOs graduated on August 9, 2002 from the Academy. After an additional 12 weeks of on-the-job training with seasoned CVOs, they began working on their own.

The "Click It — Don't Risk It" campaign began. This joint effort between the Patrol and the Mis-

souri Division of Highway Safety focused on increasing seat belt use.

The Missouri Statewide Police Intelligence Network (MoSPIN) was implemented. This web-based computer system allows the sharing of criminal intelligence information between authorized users in a secure environment. The Patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control is the system's administrator.

Automatic Electronic Defibrillators (AEDs) used to provide an electronic shock to restart a victim's heart were donated to Troop D. Patrol officers were trained in their use and the AEDs were placed in patrol vehicles.

Legislation passed in 2002 honored four Patrol members who were killed in the line of duty by renaming highways in their honor. On August 31, 2002, a ceremony dedicated a portion of Missouri Route 72 in Madison County as Sgt. Randy V. Sullivan Memorial Highway. On October 24, 2002, the Tpr. Kelly L. Poynter Memorial Highway, a portion of U.S. Highway 63 south of Houston, MO, in Texas County, was dedicated. October 8, 2002, the Robert A. Guillems Memorial Bridge at mile marker 16 on Interstate 55 in Pemiscot County was dedicated in a ceremony at the Hayti MoDOT shed. Tpr. James Froemsdorf Memorial Highway, located from mile marker 129 to mile marker 135



Pilot Sgt. David A. Callaway and passenger Sgt. Matthew K. Funderburk survived this helicopter crash in 2002.

on Interstate 55 in Perry County, was dedicated in a ceremony on August 29, 2002.

Three new Blood Alcohol Testing (BAT) vans were introduced to members of the media at a press conference on November 4, 2002. These vans will enable the Patrol to schedule significantly more DWI checkpoints than in the past. The vans are the result of a federal grant.

The Patrol marked 10 years of accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson named Trooper Al P. Nothum, Troop C, the DPS Employee of the Month for November 2002. The honor came as a result of a traffic stop in November 2001. Tpr. Nothum stopped a vehicle, and after a foot pursuit, arrested the driver. After a search of the vehicle, a methamphetamine laboratory was found along with a large amount of finished product. This arrest led to additional arrests and another methamphetamine laboratory.

2003

A memorial pin was created as a sign of respect for employees to wear at funerals, memorial services, or occasions designated by the superintendent. The pin is gold and white with a black ribbon behind it. The pins were issued to all employees.

Governor Bob Holden publicly thanked Trooper Danielle E. Heil for handling an investigation

This memorial pin is worn at funerals, memorial services, and as designated by the colonel.



for his office and commended her for a job well done. The investigation began in October 2002. Tpr. Heil was asked to investigate the Division of



CTTE Robert L. Heald, Q/CommD, was named February 2003 DPS Employee of the Month.

Family Services and foster care system in Greene County. Her findings were sent to a committee, which made recommendations regarding changes within the Division of Family Services based on Tpr. Heil's report.

Chief Telecommunications Training Engineer Robert L. Heald, Q/CommD, was named February 2003 DPS Employee of the Month. CTTE Heald was responsible for creating a training CD for officers to learn how to operate the mobile computing devices acquired by the Patrol. The CD also includes a resource directory and takes over 500 mouse clicks to complete.

The ALERT Missouri system was activated. The program was developed to inform the public of abductions in a timely manner. Alerts are initiated by Troop F Headquarters.

Patrol employees were activated into branches of the U.S. military in 2003. Approximately 30 em-



The ALERT Missouri system is used to make the media and public aware of child abductions in a timely manner.

ployees were sent to Iraq, Kosovo, and Kuwait.

The International Chiefs of Police (IACP) Division of State and Provincial Police recognized Corporal William S. Sims, Troop H. He was one of the finalists for the IACP's 2002 Trooper of the Year Award. The recognition came as a result of Cpl. Sims' attempts to save a young child from a van after it had run off the road and into a fast-moving creek.

On March 30, 2003, Troop I received a call about a truck driving erratically and attempting to run other motorists off the road. A pursuit ensued, where the driver of the tractor-trailer refused to stop and also tried to run a trooper off the road. A spike strip was placed on the roadway in an effort to stop the pursuit. The truck swerved into the median and struck a stationary, unoccupied patrol car head on. After driving completely over Trooper Terry A. Gayer's patrol car, the truck came to rest in the westbound lanes of Interstate 44. The driver was injured and thus transported to the hospital.

The 13th Annual Patrol Awards Ceremony and MASTERS Banquet honored 27 employees on May 10, 2003. Tpr. Kelly L. Poynter received the Memorial Award posthumously. Captain John T. Prine, Troop D, was named Officer of the Year. Senior Secretary Sherry L. Carter, Troop C, was named Civilian of the Year.

The Patrol commissioned the 54 members of the 80th Recruit Class on May 3, 2003. The class



Colonel Roger D. Stottlemire (right) congratulates Senior Secretary Sherry L. Carter, Civilian of the Year, at the 2003 awards banquet. It is the first time this award was given.

began on October 20, 2002.

Trooper Michael L. Newton, 25, was killed in a traffic crash on May 22, 2003, on Interstate 70 at the 47-mile marker. Tpr. Newton had stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. He and the driver of that vehicle were sitting in the patrol vehicle. A pickup pulling a flatbed, gooseneck trailer traveled onto the shoulder of I-70 and struck the patrol car. The impact caused the patrol car to burst into flames. Tpr. Newton was killed inside the car. Witnesses pulled the other man from the passenger window of the patrol car. Tpr. Newton is the 23rd member to make the ultimate sacrifice. He is survived by his wife and two sons. His father is Building & Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Garry Newton, Troop I.

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson awarded Chief Telecommunications Engineer R. Lou Wehmer, Troop G, the DPS Meritorious Service Award in April 2003. The recognition came as a result of CTE Wehmer's resourcefulness and expertise in establishing temporary communication functions for Troop G in an emergency. In April 2002, a tornado destroyed Troop G's 325-foot communications tower. CTE Wehmer arranged for a temporary antenna on King Mountain, thus re-



A tractor-trailer unit intentionally drove over Tpr. Terry A. Gayer's vehicle. Fortunately, Tpr. Gayer was not injured.



Trooper Michael L. Newton

establishing communications to the entire Troop G area.

The 2003 Missouri Inspector Competition was held on May 14, 2003. Commercial Vehicle Officer II Travis Ellis, Troop A, won the Level 1 Vehicle Inspection and Level 3 Driver Inspection categories, which placed him as the first place "Overall Winner" of the competition. Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor Terry W. McCameron, Troop E, won the Hazardous Material and Cargo Tank Inspection category.

After 28 years in use, the Training Tank is no longer available at the Academy. The swimming pool was drained, 2" x 10" beams were placed across the pool every 12 inches, and 4' by 8' sheeting laid down. The result is a weight and mat room. The training tank's pumping system was failing and the pipes inside the walls had deteriorated. The cost of correcting the problems was prohibitive. Therefore, the training tank was changed into a space for working out and a place for recruit classes to hold mat exercises. Future pool training will take place at a local school or the YMCA.

The Department of Public Safety named Sergeant Allan C. Heseman, Q/RDD, Employee of the Month for August 2003. Sgt. Heseman was honored for his work in creating an electronic accident form and his improving fingerprint card processing at the troop level.



The Patrol's training tank is now two rooms—one for weight training and one for mat exercises.



The Division of Drug and Crime Control's Technical Services Unit acquired a new robot. The Remotec, Model F6A, was purchased with Homeland Security monies through SEMA. The robot will allow bomb technicians to render bombs safe from a safe distance and without having to wear an 85-pound protective suit. Later in the year, DDCC acquired a new bomb disposal truck. This truck is equipped with a weapons of mass destruction upgrade.

Nineteen commercial vehicle officers graduated in a ceremony on August 1, 2003. The fourth CVO Class attended 12 weeks of training at the Patrol Academy.

The Division of Drug and Crime Control marked its 20th anniversary. Formed in 1983 by the 82nd Missouri General Assembly's passing of Senate Bill 294, this division is the criminal investigation branch of the Patrol. Thirty-five officers, who were originally part of the Intelligence and Investigative Section, transferred into the new division.

On Monday, September 15, 2003, two ceremonies were conducted dedicating two portions of U.S. Highway 71 as memorial highways. U.S. 71 through McDonald County was established as the Corporal Bobbie J. Harper Highway. (*Retired February 1, 1995.*) U.S. 71 in Jasper County is now known as the Trooper Charles P. Corbin Memorial Highway. (*KOD September 15, 1943, see page 12.*)

On October 8, 2003, a portion of U.S. Highway 65 between Missouri Highway 265 and the Missouri-Arkansas state line was designated the Jimmie Linegar Memorial Highway.

On November 20, 2003, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) re-accredited the Missouri State Highway Patrol. CALEA is an independent, non-profit organization based in Fairfax, VA. The Patrol has maintained its status as an internationally accredited law enforcement agency since first attaining accreditation on November 21, 1992. This is the third re-assessment cycle the Patrol has completed successfully.

During the 2003 legislative session, five former



This Remotec F6A robot allows technicians to render bombs safe from a distance.

superintendents drafted a letter to Governor Bob Holden and the leadership of the Missouri General Assembly. In the letter, retired Colonels Al R. Lubker, Howard J. Hoffman, Clarence E. "Mel" Fisher, Fred M. Mills, and Weldon L. Wilhoit expressed grave concern regarding pay disparity for members.

Missouri's Legislature passed Senate Bill 212, which requires the Patrol to provide a salary schedule to lawmakers each year. This information will be compared to Missouri's larger police departments—Kansas City, St. Louis, and St. Louis County—in an effort to keep the Patrol's salaries competitive. It is hoped this legislation will help the Patrol retain members.

In 2003, Senate Bill 30 formally renamed the Alert Missouri system to the Missouri AMBER Alert System. The bill established regions in the state and an oversight committee. The state Amber Alert System Coordinator is assigned to the Patrol's Technical Services Bureau. The system is a partnership between Missouri government agencies and media outlets. Eleven children were missing using this system in 2003. All 11 children were recovered.

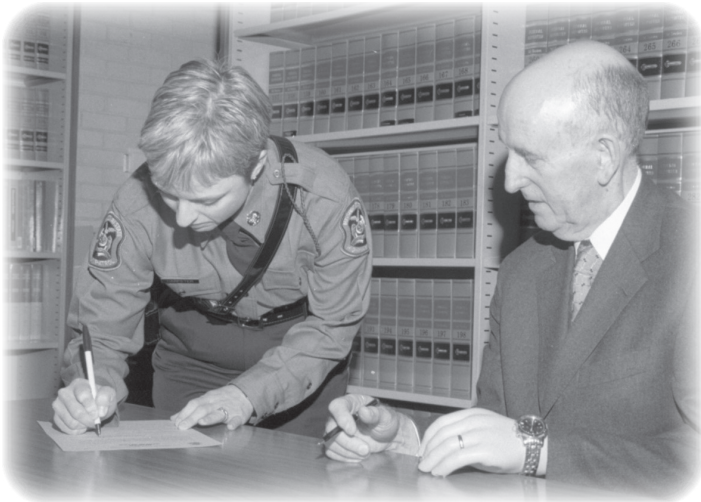
2004

Two recruit classes graduated from the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy in 2004. The 25 troopers in the 81st Recruit Class were commissioned on January 10, 2004. The 82nd Recruit Class, with 24 troopers, was commissioned on July 23, 2004.

The Patrol continued hosting Community Alliance Programs throughout the state. In 2004, Troops A, E, F, and H taught 61 civilians the Patrol's mission and purpose. The program allows the public to see how the Patrol serves and protects them. Hands-on experiences make the program interesting and enlightening.

A Missouri House of Representatives Resolution recognized Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor Ron O. Abmeyer, Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor Randy G. Cobb, Commercial Vehicle Officer Larry E. Masterson, Trooper Jason N. Crites, Sergeant Reggie M. Walker, Sergeant Rick J. Sanders, and K-9 Ado, all of Troop E. These employees were recognized for their drug interdiction success at E-2 North weigh station. In a period of eight days beginning February 8, 2004, this group seized over 2,500 pounds of marijuana.

In March 2004, members of the Patrol, Christian County Sheriff's Department, Internal Revenue Service, and United States Postal Service executed a search warrant at a residence in Ozark, MO. Leads took investigators to Kansas, Illinois, Texas, California, and cities in Missouri. It was



Trooper Trois L. Harpster signs her Oath of Office after graduating with the 81st Recruit Class. The Honorable E. Richard Webber, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, served as witness.

Missouri AMBER ALERT

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discovered four subjects were creating UPC labels and affixing them to items in stores. The new UPC label was substantially lower in price than the original UPC label. The subjects then sold their goods on eBay. Items purchased illegally included CD players, DVD recorders, computer monitors, sewing machines, etc. The criminals made \$400,000 during the scam, and targeted several large department stores over a year. The warrant led to the discovery of a large amount of electronics in a garage along with UPC label-making supplies. In November 2004, Sergeant Dan F. Nash, Q/DDCC, accepted a Department of Public Safety Meritorious Service Award for coordinating this case.

On May 8, 2004, the Patrol honored 26 employees at its annual awards ceremony and The MASTERS banquet. This year, the Memorial Award was presented to the family of Trooper Michael L. Newton, Troop A, who was killed in a traffic crash on May 22, 2003. Valor awards were presented to Trooper Russell W. Shaul, Troop A, and Corporal Michael A. Turner, Troop F.

While off duty, Tpr. Shaul was jogging near Pertle Springs Lake in Warrensburg, MO. He entered the water, swam 50 to 100 feet and rescued a man who had fallen out of his fishing boat. He performed CPR and then asked a passerby to call for an ambulance. Tpr. Shaul then went back into the lake and retrieved the man's boat. The man fully recovered. In addition to receiving the Valor award, DPS Director Charles R. Jackson named Tpr. Shaul DPS Employee of the Month for February 2004.

Cpl. Turner was recognized for handling a threatening situation involving a suicidal man. Officers were sent to a rural area in Callaway County

where an armed man challenged officers to shoot him. While deputies talked with the man, Cpl. Turner moved into a concealed position. When an opportune moment presented itself, Cpl. Turner rushed the subject and secured him in handcuffs after a brief struggle.

Also at the banquet, the Patrol recognized The MASTERS' 25th anniversary with a special video. In 1979, concerned citizens formed The MASTERS (Missouri State Troopers Emergency Relief Society) for the sole purpose of taking care of the families of troopers killed in the line of duty. The video saluted this charitable organization, and included taped messages from a number of spouses of troopers killed in the line of duty.

Mr. Arthur R. "Ray" Cushman, one of the original members of the Patrol, attended the banquet as a special guest of the Patrol. Mr. Cushman was one of four troopers who assisted Mrs. Alice Booth, after her husband was murdered in the line of duty. Sergeant Ben O. Booth was the first member of the Patrol who made the ultimate sacrifice. The four troopers each gave \$10 to Alice "so the children can have Christmas." This was a considerable amount in 1933. Alice saved the money, thinking harder times were ahead. Fifty years later, her daughter, Owanna Booth Allen found the money with a note from the young troopers.

On May 22, 2004, Corporal John E. Christensen was traveling southbound on Interstate 29 near U.S. Highway 36 in Buchanan County. He witnessed a pickup traveling 97 mph in a 65 mph zone. When the suspect refused to stop, a pursuit began. Cpl. Christensen continued southbound into Platte County. At that point, Trooper Eric R. Kolb, Troop A, and Platte County Deputy Joshua Quimby joined in the pursuit. Near Platte City, at the 16 mile-marker, Sergeant Dale E. Knox, Troop A, deployed spikes. The driver attempted to strike Sgt. Knox, who was standing in the median. The vehicle hit the spikes, yet continued southbound with two deflated tires.

The pursuit continued to the Mexico City Avenue exit in Kansas City, MO, at times reaching speeds over 100 mph. Shortly after passing the exit, the driver hit his brakes, spun his vehicle clockwise, and came to a stop facing the oncoming patrol vehicle. The suspect exited his vehicle holding an assault rifle. Cpl. Christensen, Tpr. Kolb, and Deputy Quimby took cover and returned fire



Mr. Arthur R. "Ray" Cushman (left) was a special guest at the Patrol's annual banquet. He stands with Colonel Roger D. Stottlemeyer.

after the suspect began firing the assault rifle toward them. After firing the rifle, the suspect ran up a grassy embankment. At this time, Sgt. Knox and Corporal Kevin G. Haywood, Troop H, arrived at the scene. The officers instructed the suspect to drop his weapon and show his hands. The suspect ignored their commands, aimed his rifle, and began firing once again. The officers returned fire, striking the man. The suspect then lost consciousness. He died later at the Truman Medical Center. This shooting took place on a busy interstate highway near the Kansas City International Airport.

On June 24, 2004, Trooper Jeffrey L. White received a call from Troop F communications personnel regarding a report about a subject brandishing a weapon on Interstate 70 near Jonesburg, MO. Tpr. White then proceeded to a location just east of Kingdom City, MO, to wait for the vehicle. After the vehicle passed his location, he turned on his lights and signaled the driver to stop. However, the driver failed to respond. Several miles later, the suspect vehicle exited the interstate at Kingdom City, and abruptly stopped a short distance up the exit ramp facing into the sun. Tpr. White stopped his patrol car and exited immediately, his

service weapon drawn due to the nature of the call. The driver stepped out of the vehicle holding a revolver. He cocked the weapon and pointed it directly at Tpr. White, who ordered him to drop the weapon. The driver disregarded the order. Instead, he raised his weapon and pointed it at Tpr. White while walking toward the officer. Using evasive tactics, Tpr. White backed around the rear of his patrol car for cover while firing at the suspect. The suspect was hit twice. Although Tpr. White rendered first aid, the suspect subsequently died. Later, it was determined the suspect was wanted for questioning in two homicides in Florida.

At approximately 10:07 a.m., June 14, 2004, Troop E Headquarters was notified of a single injury accident on Interstate 55 in Cape Girardeau County involving a trooper. Sergeant Bradley S. Lively was conducting a traffic stop when a second vehicle struck him. Public support of Sgt. Lively continues to be overwhelming. At the end of 2004, he still required rehabilitation five times per week, three hours a day.

Sergeant Miles S. Parks, Q/DDCC, accepted the DPS Employee of the Month award for June 2004. He was honored for his work as a criminal investigator within the Division of Drug and Crime Control. The nomination listed three specific investigations in which Sgt. Parks played a major role. He investigated the theft of money from the Hollister Police Department and obtained a confession from the chief of police for stealing \$6,700. Sgt. Parks and Trooper C. Tyler Moreland recovered nearly one quarter of a million dollars worth of stolen heavy equipment. The third investigation involved Sgt. Parks identifying a burglary suspect and recovering thousands of dollars of stolen property.

Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor Timothy W. Giesert, Troop C, and Commercial Vehicle Officer Kenneth L. Shewey, Troop H, competed in the Missouri Inspector Competition in June 2004. Inspectors attending the competition attend training and then compete. The exercises include a written examination, personal interview, non-bulk hazardous material package inspection, and driver, cargo tank, and motorcoach inspections. CVO Sprv. Giesert earned an award in the category of "Hazardous Material and Cargo Tank Inspection." CVO Shewey earned the "Motorcoach Inspection" and "Second Place Overall Winner" awards.

President George W. Bush visited Poplar Bluff, MO, after two local residents circulated a petition asking him to do so. He spoke to an estimated crowd of 26,000 to 33,000. Troop E and local agencies assisted the U.S. Secret Service with security. No incidents were reported during the presidential visit.

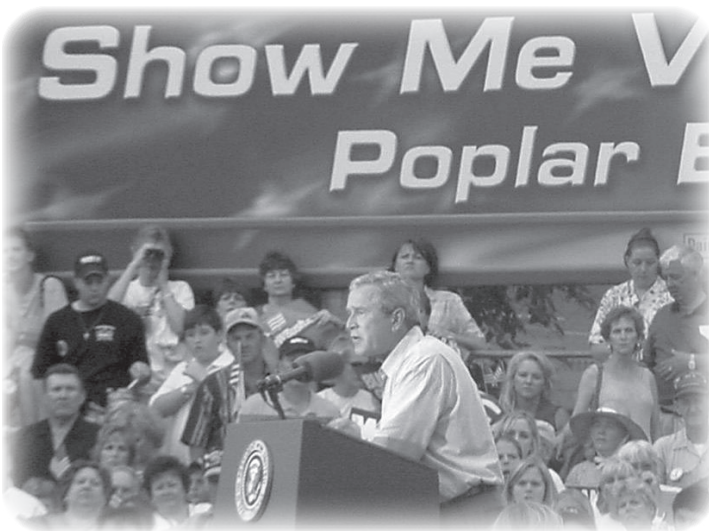
On August 20, 2004, the Patrol commissioned the 13 commercial vehicle officers in the fifth CVO School.

In 2004, the Patrol honored six of its fallen heroes with memorial markers.

- On September 3, 2004, a portion of U.S. Highway 67 in St. Francois County between Desloge, MO, and Bonne Terre, MO, was dedicated the Trooper Jesse R. Jenkins Memorial Highway. (*KOD October 14, 1969, see page 30.*)
- On September 10, 2004, a portion of U.S. Highway 54 in Cole County became the Trooper Dennis H. Marriott Memorial Highway. (*KOD June 13, 1981, see page 41.*)
- On September 20, 2004, the Interstate 44 bridges over the Little Piney Creek were dedicated to the memory of Trooper Mi-



Sergeant Bradley S. Lively



President George W. Bush speaks to a crowd while visiting Poplar Bluff, MO.

chael E. Newton. (*KOD May 22, 2003, see page 107.*)

- On October 15, 2004, a portion of U.S. Highway 60, east of Springfield, MO, was renamed the Trooper Russell Harper Memorial Highway. (*KOD February 8, 1987, see page 50.*)
- On October 26, 2004, the Trooper Wayne W. Allman Memorial Bridge was dedicated. (*KOD October 27, 1955, see page 21.*)
- On December 7, 2004, a memorial honoring Trooper Vic O. Dosing was placed near where Tpr. Dosing was murdered near Gal-
loway, MO, now part of Springfield, MO. (*KOD December 7, 1941, see page 11.*)

DPS Director Charles R. Jackson honored Criminalist Michael J. “Mike” Baker with a DPS Meritorious Service award. Criminalist Baker was honored for independently learning about equipment in the Crime Laboratory in order to repair sensitive machines. His initiative and resourcefulness has saved the Patrol thousands of dollars.

On December 16, 2004, Division of Drug and Crime Control officers responded to assist Nod-away County Sheriff Ben Espy with a murder investigation. Bobbie Jo Stinnett had been murdered in her home. At the time, Stinnett was eight

months pregnant, and her murderer had cut the baby from her womb. The Northwest Major Investigative Squad’s Initial Response Team was activated and the St. Joseph Police Department’s Crime Scene Team processed the murder scene.

Sergeant David L. Merrill was contacted and responded to the scene, where he noticed a computer and requested that its Internet history be checked. Corporal Jeffery M. Owen, a member of the Patrol assigned to the Heart of America Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory in Kansas City, MO, probed the computer and collected information. He discovered Stinnett ran a dog breeding business and tracked messages to a computer in Melvern, KS.

Soon after this discovery, a woman in Alabama provided information after hearing the Amber Alert. She told authorities a woman she knew in Kansas claimed to have just given birth, but the woman hadn’t been pregnant. Investigators joined agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and drove to the home of Lisa Montgomery. Montgomery produced a newborn baby girl and made incriminating statements in the following discussion with authorities. Montgomery was arrested and the baby girl returned to her family in good health. Her father named her Victoria Jo. This case gained the world’s attention.

Upon the November 2, 2004, election of Matt Blunt as Missouri’s 54th governor, the Governor’s Security Division immediately included the Blunt family as protectees. From Election Day until Inauguration Day, division members retained security responsibilities for Governor Bob Holden and his family.

2005

Fifty-three members of the Patrol provided security during the 2005 inauguration celebration of Governor Matt Blunt, the 54th governor of Missouri.

The Department of Public Safety named Corporal Roger A. Sherman, Trooper John G. Huber, and Trooper Joseph E. Johnston, Troop H, DPS Employees of the Month for January 2005. The troopers were honored for their actions following an F-4 tornado in Daviess County. They assisted the injured and coordinated emergency personnel responding from five counties.

On February 14, 2005, the Traffic Arrest system/DWI Tracking System (TAS/DWITS) replaced the Traffic Arrest System/Alcohol and Drug Offense Records System (TAS/ADORS). DWITS is an Internet-based computerized database of alcohol-related driving offenses, which includes more information than ADORS. Files now record more detailed arrest information, prosecutorial actions, and court dispositions. DWITS is available statewide to authenticated criminal justice personnel and agencies.

Governor Matt Blunt named Mr. Mark S. James director of the Department of Public Safety on March 7, 2005. Prior to his appointment, Mr. James was special agent-in-charge of the Kansas City Division of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. Mr. James is a former trooper with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, having served from 1978 to 1987.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children presented awards to five officers from Missouri in Washington, D.C. on May 18, 2005. Sergeant David L. Merrill, and Corporal Jeffery M. Owen, Q/DDCC, were honored for their work on the Bobbie Jo Stinnett murder case in 2004. This case was also selected as the case of the year. Ceremonies were held at the Department of Justice, and in the Oval Office, with the U.S. Attorney



Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H, Nodaway County Sheriff Ben Espey, and Mr. Jeff Lanza, FBI spokesperson, address media at a news conference regarding the Stinnett murder investigation.

General Alberto Gonzales and President George W. Bush present. Officers from the FBI, Nodaway County Sheriff's Department, and Maryville Public Safety were also part of the Missouri group.

The Patrol honored 17 employees at the annual awards banquet. Corporal Nicholas D. Berry, Troop B, accepted the Officer of the Year award. Motor Vehicle Inspector Chief William P. Boyd III, Troop A, accepted the Civilian of the Year award.

On February 4, 2005, John Peter "J.P." Rosciglione was killed in a hit-and-run traffic crash. Sergeant Philip D. Hoffman and Trooper Eric F. Brown, both of Troop C, worked the crash and the investigation, which led to the arrest of the driver who left the scene. The Rosciglione family was very appreciative of Sgt. Hoffman's and Tpr. Brown's dedication and kindness during this difficult time. In memory of J.P., the family held a benefit in April. They raised \$10,000, which they donated to The MASTERS in honor of Sgt. Hoffman and Tpr. Brown.

Two recruit classes graduated from the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy in 2005. The 37 troopers in the 83rd Recruit Class were commissioned on May 7, 2005. The 84th Recruit Class, with 20 members, was commissioned on December 3, 2005, bringing the total number of uniformed members to 1,037.

This year was especially painful for the Patrol family. Four members were killed in the line of duty.



Members of the Patrol keep watch as Governor-elect and Mrs. Matt Blunt walk down the Capitol steps prior to his oath of office.

At 5:18 p.m. on Sunday, March 20, 2005, Troop G Headquarters received a telephone call advising Sergeant Carl D. “Dewayne” Graham Jr., 37, had been found dead at his residence. Sgt. Graham was still in his uniform, lying on the ground near his patrol car. An autopsy would reveal he had been ambushed, shot by a rifle and a shotgun. An intense investigation led to the arrest of Lance Shockley on March 29, 2005. Shockley was charged with first-degree murder and armed criminal action.

Sgt. Graham is survived by his four-year-old son and his parents. Sgt. Graham is the 24th member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to lose his life in the line of duty.

In the early morning hours of April 20, 2005, the Troop C SERT was called to assist in a man-hunt in Franklin County. Trooper Ralph C. Tatoian, 32, was responding to this call via Interstate 44, when he came upon a minor traffic crash. Tpr. Tatoian, upon observing a passenger car blocking the left lane, changed lanes to avoid impact. He then moved back into the left lane, at which time he struck the rear of a stationary tractor-trailer, whose driver had stopped to assist the driver of the disabled vehicle. Both Tpr. Tatoian’s vehicle and the trailer caught fire upon impact. Tpr. Tatoian died instantly.

Tpr. Tatoian is survived by his wife, his three young children, and his parents. Tpr. Tatoian is the 25th member of the Patrol to make the ultimate



Lt. Colonel William K. Seibert, right, presents the Superintendent’s Award to Tpr. Chad J. North of the 84th Recruit Class, December 2005.

sacrifice.

On August 17, 2005, Corporal John A. “Jay” Sampietro Jr., 36, was struck by a vehicle on Interstate 44 in Webster County, near Strafford, MO. He was taken to Cox South Hospital in Springfield, MO, where he succumbed to his injuries. At the time he was struck, Cpl. Sampietro was assisting the Patrol’s Major Crash Investigation Team at the site of an earlier traffic crash.

Cpl. Sampietro left behind a wife and two young sons. At the time of his death, Cpl. Sampietro’s wife was a radio operator for the Patrol at Troop



Sergeant Carl D. Graham Jr.



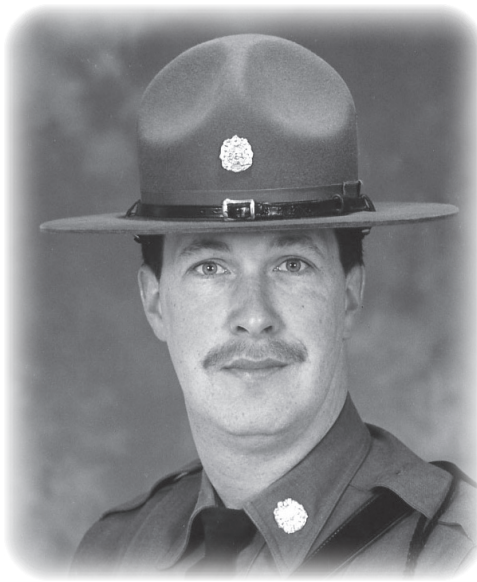
Trooper Ralph C. Tatoian

D Headquarters. He is the 26th member of the Patrol to make the ultimate sacrifice while serving and protecting the citizens of Missouri.

Trooper Donald K. "Kevin" Floyd, 45, was struck by a vehicle on September 22, 2005, while working speed enforcement on U.S. Highway 60 in Texas County, approximately one mile east of Route MM. He was airlifted by helicopter to St. Johns Hospital in Springfield, MO, where he succumbed to his injuries. Tpr. Floyd had stopped an eastbound vehicle for a traffic violation. He had made contact with the driver of the vehicle and had turned to walk back to his Patrol vehicle when he was struck by a pickup truck.

Tpr. Floyd is survived by his wife, his 19-year-old son, and his 16-year-old daughter. He is the 27th member of the Patrol to make the ultimate sacrifice while serving and protecting the citizens of Missouri.

On May 28, 2005, Trooper Brandon J. Brashear notified Troop A that he was in pursuit of a white Chevrolet Monte Carlo on northbound Interstate 470, south of the Lakewood exit. He then advised the vehicle was slowing down and might be stopping. No other radio traffic was received. Approxi-



Corporal John A. Sampietro Jr.



Trooper Donald K. Floyd

mately four minutes later, responding troopers found Tpr. Brashear lying in the grass on the east side of the northbound lanes of I-470 north of the Lakewood exit. He had been shot at least nine times, yet was able to provide officers with descriptions of the suspect and vehicle.

The suspect was arrested by Independence, MO, police officers at a pool hall in Independence, MO, less than an hour later. The suspect, Tommy Ray Rollins, admitted to shooting Tpr. Brashear. Rollins also told officers that at the time Tpr. Brashear stopped him, he was driving to the home of a former supervisor in Independence, with the intent to kill him. Tpr. Brashear experienced several surgeries and a rigorous physical therapy schedule. In October 2005, he returned to light duty at Troop A Headquarters. Tpr. Brashear would return to full duty on March 14, 2007.

Automotive Technician Sean D. Jacobs and Automotive Technician Wayne L. Fordham, both of Troop A, accepted the DPS Employee of the Month Award for July 2005. These gentlemen were honored for their initiative regarding the repair of patrol vehicles. Auto. Techs. Jacobs and Fordham perform many repairs themselves, thus saving the Patrol hundreds of dollars each year. They also inspect each repaired vehicle to insure proper workmanship by outside body shops.

The Patrol purchased eight 2005 Chevrolet 1500 pickup trucks, to be used by the Major Crash Investigation Unit (MCIU). They were put into



Trooper Brandon J. Brashear



Sgt. Mikel A. Cool, Troop A, designed the MCIU logo for the newly acquired trucks. The “center of gravity” symbol is part of the design.

service during the summer. The Patrol garage installed custom shelving by Roll-Out, a Kansas company.

Due to the devastation of Hurricane Katrina along the Gulf Coast, Missouri’s State Emergency Management Agency received a request for assistance from its counterpart in Mississippi. A detail of 56 Patrol personnel left Missouri on September 9, 2005. The convoy included enough supplies for the personnel to be self-sufficient for the first 72 hours of the detail. The garage prepared troop trucks, maintenance trucks, all-terrain vehicles, and MVI trailers. The Supply Division obtained bottled water, hand cleaner, sleeping bags, bug spray, MREs and snack items, first-aid supplies, heavy rubber gloves, chain saws, and backpacks for the detail. In addition to providing personnel, the Communications Division worked to prepare the Mobile Command Post with the necessary equipment and a satellite linkup to contact General Headquarters in Jefferson City. Members of the detail provided security; restricted access in areas where heavy equipment was attempting to clear debris; assisted residents as they searched for what used to be their home and personal belongings; and as-

sisted at Red Cross distribution centers. Members of the detail were affected greatly by the amount of devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina. The Patrol admirably served and protected citizens in the state of Mississippi. All employees returned to Missouri on September 17, 2005.

The last of the Patrol’s original members, Mr. Arthur R. “Ray” Cushman died on September 20, 2005. Mr. Cushman served from October 1931 to



Members of the Katrina detail stayed in tents like this during their assignment in Biloxi, MS.



A briefing takes place before a shift in Biloxi, MS.

February 1935.

Mr. Larry Rains, director of the Motor Equipment Division, accepted a Governor's Award for Quality and Productivity as a member of the Fleet Management Team. The team included employees from various state departments. The Fleet Management Team was formed to improve the efficiency of the state vehicle fleet. It accomplished a number of notable achievements, such as developing and implementing a comprehensive state vehicle policy; reducing commuting in state vehicles (74 percent); implementing a uniform fleet tracking system; establishing an accurate count of state owned vehicles; and eliminating underutilized state owned vehicles.

On Saturday, December 3, 2005, six members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol traveled to Cameron Parish, LA, which had been hit by Hurricane Rita. A local sheriff's office requested assistance due to the numerous thefts taking place on residential, commercial, and contractor properties. The sheriff's office supplied food, lodging, fuel, and "handie talkies" to the detail. Upon arrival, the sheriff held a "swearing-in" ceremony to validate the troopers' law enforcement powers in the area. The officers worked 12-hour shifts patrolling the roads of the parish and providing security to the area. The detail lasted 18 days.

In July 2005, Sergeant Bradley S. Lively, Troop E, returned to light duty. His recuperation from being struck by a vehicle on June 14, 2004, included multiple surgeries and intense physical therapy. Sgt. Lively was released by doctors and returned to road duty in Zone 4, Cape Girardeau, in September 2005. (*See Patrol History page 112.*)

In 2005, Governor Matt Blunt signed the bill giving statutory authority for the Patrol to provide transportation, security, and protection for the governor and his immediate family.

2006

This year would mark 75 years of service and protection for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. A committee formed in 2005 chose to commemorate this milestone in several ways. The Public Information and Education Division was directed to create a yearbook. For the first time, the history book included a section entitled "Roll Call" with in-depth stories about the 27 officers killed in the line



of duty. A publication named "To Serve and Protect" included retiree interviews from 1980 and 2005. OMB's Express Police Supply handled sales of the official commemorative Glock 22; NyeKass Arms L.L.C. offered a commemorative Remington 870 Police Magnum and a Smith & Wesson Model K10 (38-caliber revolver); and American Stamp and Marking Products Inc. offered a badge with the anniversary noted. There were also t-shirts, pens, mugs, a patch, license plate, etc., for sale through the commissary at the Missouri State Troopers Association.

On January 7, 2006, the Patrol again answered a call for help from the Gulf. A second detail traveled to Cameron Parrish, LA. Six members provided assistance to the sheriff's office by acting as escorts, and providing traffic enforcement and security. The detail returned February 5, 2006.

The 85th Recruit Class arrived at the Academy on January 8, 2006. Thirty-three new troopers graduated on July 14, 2006. Trooper James M. Linegar, son of Trooper Jimmie E. Linegar, who was killed in the line of duty April 15, 1985, graduated with this recruit class.

The Missing Persons Unit celebrated 20 years of service and assistance to the victims and families of reported missing persons.

The Crime Laboratory marked its 70th anniversary. For approximately the first 20 years the chemists were "generalists." The tests they performed included firearms, toolmarks, blood alcohol, chemical, microscopic, and trace evidence. In the 1980s, laboratory chemists became more specialized and advancements were made in DNA analysis. Lab employees are now called criminalists.

Corporal Thomas R. Walley, Troop F, made

an interesting discovery during a traffic stop. He noticed a power cord plugged into the cigarette lighter. The cord ran to a radar detector and to a toggle switch with an illuminated red light. The driver became increasingly nervous during the traffic stop until Cpl. Walley felt he should ask for consent to search the vehicle. When consent was denied, he called for Corporal Matthew J. Broniec and K-9 Kai. The investigation led officers to a rocket in the vehicle's trunk. The cord in the passenger compartment was connecting the illuminated switch to the rocket. The rocket contained approximately two pounds of crystal methamphetamine. Apparently, the suspects thought they could dispose of the drugs using the rocket to send the drugs into the clouds.

DPS Director Mark S. James named Corporal Bradley S. Bearden DPS Employee of the Month for March 2006. The recognition came as a result of Cpl. Bearden's looking beyond the initial traffic stop. When he checked two ATVs, and found they were stolen, he arrested the two men driving them. Further questioning led him to \$40,000 in stolen property, thus solving several thefts and burglaries.

DPS Director Mark S. James named Trooper Matthew L. Keeney DPS Employee of the Month for April 2006. Tpr. Keeney answered a call for assistance from Bollinger County Sheriff Terry Wiseman while off-duty. The county had received seven and one-half inches of rain in a short period of time, causing the Castor River Campground to be flooded. Tpr. Keeney responded to the scene in his personal boat, successfully maneuvered the craft in the strong currents, and rescued six adults and three children. Tpr. Keeney was named State

Hurricane Rita destroyed everything in its path. This was once a church.



This fellow visited the Patrol's campsite each evening during their stay in Cameron Parish, LA.

Employee of the month for May 2006.

Five commercial vehicle officers graduated in April 2006. This marked the completion of the 6th CVO School.

The Patrol honored and remembered 21 employees at the annual awards ceremony and The MASTERS banquet. The first Purple Heart to be awarded in Patrol history was presented to Trooper Brandon J. Brashear, Troop A, who was shot at least nine times during a traffic stop. He has returned to light duty since the 2005 incident.

Trooper Jason E. Riggs, Troop I, received the Citation of Valor for his actions while on a guided fishing trip in Canada. Tpr. Riggs placed his life in danger to save his guide's life.



Sergeant Craig N. Ponder, Troop G, was named Officer of the Year. Sgt. Ponder was honored for his handling of the investigation into the murder of his zone commander, Sergeant Carl D. "Dewayne" Graham Jr. He again demonstrated his leadership abilities when the Taum Sauk reservoir failed, allowing 1.5 billion gallons of water to escape. He supervised securing the area, closing damaged roadways, and searching for missing persons.

Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor I J. David Brooks and Commercial Vehicle Officer II Ricky L. Talbert, both of Troop D, shared the Civilian of the Year Award for their success in drug interdiction while performing their duties. In 2005, these employees were directly involved in 10 major drug interdictions, and responsible for seizing over 9,763 pounds of marijuana, 15 kilos of cocaine, and \$70,000.

The Patrol's first radio operator, Mr. Harry W. Duncan, died at the age of 92. Mr. Duncan served the Patrol from 1937 to 1973. He retired as the director of communications. His technical ability guided the Patrol into the computer age in the 1960s, with the creation of the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System (MULES).

Fifteen members of the Patrol accompanied the families of Sergeant C. Dewayne Graham Jr., Trooper Ralph C. Tatoian, Corporal John A. "Jay" Sampietro Jr., and Trooper D. Kevin Floyd to Washington, D.C. for National Police Week. The



Cpl. Thomas R. Walley, Troop F, discovered this rocket full of methamphetamine during a traffic stop.

contingent attended seminars, a candlelight vigil, and a memorial ceremony. President George W. Bush took time to speak with each of the families after the memorial service.

A special section of the *Patrol News* was created for the July/August 2006 issue. The insert was 12 pages in length, included a front cover, and contained only stories related to the memorial events in Missouri and Washington, D.C.

Alert commercial vehicle officers played an instrumental role in a drug seizure of record proportion. On March 30, commercial vehicle officers assigned to Post D-4 East stopped a tractor-trailer for inspection. The violations they found and the conflicting statements of the driver and co-driver led the officers to call for a trooper. The officers obtained consent to search the load of automobiles the tractor-trailer was hauling. As a result, 12 kilo-

grams of cocaine and 40 cans of PCP were seized. Each can contained a gallon of PCP. This is the largest seizure of PCP on record in the United States.

Communications employees attended training



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via videoconference link for the first time in 2006. Students at Troop H and Troop D attended the training together due to this advanced technology.

For the first time in Patrol history, a recruit class and newly hired communications employees shared a classroom. The soon-to-be troopers were learning how to use a radio and the communications recruits were learning how to provide information to troopers on the road.

The Coalition for Roadway Safety, working in conjunction with the Missouri Safety Center at Central Missouri State University, purchased nine “Convincers” for the Patrol. The “Convincer” simulates a five-mile-per-hour crash, showing the occupant how seat belts can help protect people in motor vehicles. The “Convincer” is manufactured by AMI at Kansas State University. By August 2006, all nine troops had a “Convincer” in their possession for use during programs.

Since the late 1960s, troopers from around the country have gathered for the Uniformed Safety Education Officer Workshop. After Hurricane Katrina hit, Mississippi asked a Missouri/Kansas team to take over hosting the 2006 USEOW. In six months, the two organizations planned the conference, which took place at the Great Wolf Lodge in Kansas. One hundred fifty-two people from 18 states attended.

The Southeast Missouri State University “SEMO” Regional Crime Laboratory officially became part of the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory system. Effective July 1, 2006, the seven employees of the SEMO Crime Lab became employees of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. President Kenneth W. Dobbins of Southeast Missouri State University and Major James F. Keathley of the Patrol Criminal Investigation Bureau signed the merger document at a ceremony held at the university.

For the first time in Patrol history, a superintendent and assistant superintendent retired on the same date. Colonel Roger D. Stottlemire and Lieutenant Colonel William K. “Bill” Seibert Jr. retired on September 1, 2006.

Sgt. Daniel Green, Troop A, “convinces” the KC Wolf to wear a seat belt.

Governor Matt Blunt promoted James F. Keathley to the rank of colonel and appointed him the 20th superintendent of the Patrol effective September 1, 2006.

Effective September 1, 2006, the position of executive officer assumed the title of chief of staff and was assigned to the superintendent’s office. The chief of staff serves at the pleasure of the superintendent and is considered a member of the Patrol’s command staff.

Sergeant Cindy D. Newton, Q/GD, retired effective October 1, 2006, after over 25 years of service. Sgt. Newton was a member of the 54th Recruit Class. She was the first female to retire as a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

In 2006, thanks to the efforts of the Missouri State Troopers Association (MOSTA) and the state legislature, the Patrol honored six of its fallen heroes with memorial markers.

- On September 29, 2006, a portion of U.S. Highway 54 in Camden County from the eastern city limits of Macks Creek to the western city limits of Camdenton was dedicated as the “Trooper Ross S. Creach Memorial Highway.” (*KOD December 12, 1943; see page 12.*)
- On October 25, 2006, a portion of Interstate 44 in Webster County from mile-marker 90 to mile-marker 94 was dedicated as the “Cpl. Jay Sampietro MO State Highway Patrol Memorial Highway.” (*KOD August 17, 2005; see page 116.*)
- On November 9, 2006, a two-mile portion of Interstate 44 in Franklin County beginning





Colonel James F. Keathley

at the U.S. Highway 50 intersection and heading east was dedicated as the “Trooper Ralph Tatoian Memorial Highway.” (*KOD April 20, 2005; see page 116.*)

- On November 16, 2006, a portion of U.S. Highway 60 in Texas County from the intersection of Missouri Route MM to the intersection of Missouri Highway 181 was dedicated as the “Trooper D. Kevin Floyd Memorial Highway.” (*KOD September 22, 2005; see page 116.*)
- On November 16, 2006, the bridges on Missouri Highway 60 crossing the Current River located within the city limits of Van Buren, MO, were dedicated as the “Sgt. Dewayne Graham Jr. Memorial Bridges MO State Highway Patrol.” (*KOD March 20, 2005; see page 115.*)
- On November 17, 2006, the portion of Missouri Highway M in Washington County located within the city limits of Irondale, MO,

was dedicated the “Trooper Robert Kolilis Memorial Highway.” (*KOD September 21, 1988; see page 54.*)

Governor Matt Blunt honored the DNA Profiling Section of the Patrol’s Crime Laboratory Division. The section accepted the Governor’s Award for Quality and Productivity in the area of Efficiency. Before 2005, only DNA from individuals convicted of violent crimes were eligible for entry into the Missouri Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) database. Recent legislation required individuals convicted of any felony to submit a DNA sample, resulting in an increase of 20,000 entries per year. The law was retroactive, requiring the immediate collection of approximately 100,000 samples from inmates. In the calendar year 2006, employees entered 75,179 entries into CODIS.

Originally, it was estimated the backlog would take seven years to work through. However, the DNA section acquired federal funds to purchase new equipment and a new filing system. In 24 months, the section processed, analyzed, and entered nearly 95,000 convicted offender DNA profiles into the CODIS database. From 1994 through



Colonel James F. Keathley congratulates Sgt. Cindy D. Newton, Q/GD, who is the first female member of the Patrol to retire.

2004, there were a total of 124 convicted offender hits in CODIS. In 2006, under the “all felons law”, the laboratory generated 716 hits.

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) reaccredited the Missouri State Highway Patrol at its fall conference banquet in Reno, NV, on Saturday evening, November 18. This marks the fourth time the Patrol has successfully been reviewed and approved for reaccreditation.

Trooper Keith A. Kinsey was named DPS Employee of the Month for November 2006. The award recognized his exceptional initiative and investigative skills. In August 2006, Tpr. Kinsey’s abilities and attention to detail led to the discovery of an active meth lab in a room at Harrah’s Casino Hotel; revealed check cashing scams at Harrah’s Casino, Ameristar Casino, and the President Casino; and led to the discovery of stolen money being exchanged by a bank robber. Tpr. Kinsey also was named December 2006 State Employee of the Month.

Corporal Steven D. Rudloff was named DPS Employee of the Month for December 2006. The award recognized Cpl. Rudloff for “looking beyond” a simple motorist assist. When he stopped to check on a tractor-trailer stalled on the roadway, he became suspicious and initiated a criminal investigation. This led to the recovery of \$110,000 in stolen property and four arrests.

Governor Matt Blunt formed the “Governor’s Cattle Theft Task Force” in January 2006. This group was created to curtail the recent trend of cattle theft stemming from the rising cost of beef, which made stealing the animals lucrative for thieves. The Governor’s Cattle Theft Task Force includes the Department of Public Safety, Missouri State Water Patrol, Missouri Department of Agriculture, Missouri

Farm Bureau, Missouri Sheriff’s Association, Missouri Cattlemen’s Association, and the Patrol. Approximately 200 head of cattle were recovered during 2006.

On October 1, 2006, the Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) officially changed its name to Special Weapons And Tactics team (SWAT).

December 1, 2006, the position of commercial vehicle enforcement trooper specialist became effective. Members holding this position will form teams of four. Their primary duty is commercial vehicle enforcement, which will be accomplished using portable scale units and through inspections of vehicles, drivers, and cargo. The CVE trooper will also have criminal investigation and homeland security duties.

The Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (MAFS) honored Criminalist III William A. Randle, Q/CLD, by naming him “Outstanding Scientist for 2006.”

2007

The multi-jurisdictional Amber Alert Advisory Committee created the Endangered Person Advisory, effective January 1, 2007. This alert would be used in those situations where Amber Alert criteria wasn’t met, yet a person was known to be missing. The committee’s foresight led to an advisory for Ben Ownby, 13, who got off his school bus, but never made it home. The Endangered Person Advisory brought a lead, which upgraded the advisory to an Amber Alert, and helped solve

Governor Matt Blunt honored the DNA Profiling Section of the Patrol’s Crime Laboratory Division with the Governor’s Award for Quality and Productivity in the area of Efficiency.



the case, thus leading law enforcement to the kidnapped Ownby and 15-year-old Shawn Hornbeck a few days after the advisory. Hornbeck had been kidnapped in 2002. The case involved several law enforcement agencies, including the Patrol, and garnered national attention.

The Motor Vehicle Inspection Division updated the school bus inspection process. The update allows school districts and bus owners to make repairs to certain items on the day of the inspection without receiving a rejection rating on initial inspection.

Vinita K. Williams was promoted to chief telecommunications engineer on February 4, 2007. Chief Williams is the first female chief in the Patrol's history.

In March 2007, scale house E-2 North in Steele, MO, and E-3 West in Caruthersville, MO, were equipped with the "I-Site" system. This allows scale technicians to assess potential problems at a scale house using the Patrol's computer network.

At press conferences April 2-3, 2007, members of the media were introduced to the first two teams of commercial vehicle enforcement troopers at General Headquarters and then Troop D, Springfield. On March 12, 2007, the eight new commercial vehicle enforcement troopers (CVETs) began training at the Academy. Twelve additional CVETs began training October 14, 2007.

Thirteen Patrol employees were honored at the 2006 Patrol Awards and The MASTERS Banquet on April 21, 2007. Trooper John L. Mason, Troop D, was named 2006 "Officer Of The Year." In 2006, Tpr. Mason made 92 driving while intoxicated arrests, 45 felony arrests, 1,056 total arrests, issued 1,364 warnings, investigated 78 traffic crashes, and rendered service 395 times.

Chief Commercial Vehicle Officer Martha A. McCartney, Troop H, was named 2006 "Civilian Of The Year." As a chief, she evaluated her component, implemented resourceful changes, and improved overall operations, effectiveness, and the level of service given by commercial vehicle enforcement employees.

In April 2007, the E-1 North weigh station was leveled. This weigh station was located on Interstate 57 in Charleston, MO. The station had been closed two years prior. It was torn down because I-57 leads to inbound scales when entering Illinois

and Arkansas. This scale had been in service since 1979.

Spring 2007 brought a lot of rain to Missouri. Due to concerns regarding flooding in counties along the Missouri River, SEMA activated its Emergency Operations Center from May 7-11, 2007. Members from Field Operations Bureau and Public Information and Education Division were assigned to the center for the duration. In counties along the Missouri River, troopers were checking water levels and reporting information to the troop and other agencies.

Troop A hosted the Patrol's first Student Alliance Program in spring 2007. This is similar to the Community Alliance Program, which provides people with an understanding of the Patrol and its responsibilities. However, this program focused on high school students. Troop F also sponsored a Student Alliance Program in 2007.

At a ceremony June 4, 2007, the Patrol participated in a groundbreaking ceremony at the location where the new Troop C Headquarters will be built in Weldon Spring, MO. The 33,000-square-foot facility is slated to open in summer 2008. The building was designed by TR,i Architects, and includes concrete tilt-up panels over a steel frame. The entrance will be marked by a large canopy and by a clerestory that will provide a view of the lobby.

June 19-21, the Patrol helped coordinate and participated in the first statewide earthquake exercise. Activating area command centers and establishing communications throughout the state were an important focus of the operation. Fifteen troopers and five communications employees were assigned to the exercise. The experience provided insight into the coordination and training needed for multiple state agencies and law enforcement to respond effectively to a large-scale disaster.

On July 1, 2007, the Southeast Missouri State University Regional Crime Laboratory in Joplin merged with the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory System. This addition brings the total to eight laboratories in the Patrol's Crime Laboratory Division.

The 86th Recruit Class graduated July 13, 2007. Thirty-six new troopers were commissioned.

In August, a bank robber extorted money from several banks in several states on the same day. One of those banks was in Savannah, MO. The

caller demanded a wire transfer of money, or he said the bank would explode. DDCC officers identified the caller, who made the calls from another country. The bank robber was brought to the United States and faced several charges.

On August 21, 2007, at their annual international conference, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) and a representative from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) presented a highway safety award to the state of Missouri. The award recognizes Missouri's achieving the greatest reduction in the number of highway fatalities not involving a commercial vehicle in the United States. During 2006, Missouri realized 13 percent fewer fatalities in this category when compared to 2005 statistics.

At a press conference August 27, 2007, Governor Matt Blunt announced he has instructed the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Missouri State Water Patrol, and the Capitol Police Department to verify the identity of any person "presented for

incarceration"—in other words, anyone placed under arrest. Troopers will verify the status of those persons they arrest using one of three ways: personal knowledge, a valid driver's license, or a records check with the Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE). The state law enforcement agencies have applied to become certified through ICE, which falls under Homeland Security. If a memorandum of understanding is made with ICE, 25 state officers will attend five weeks of special training, then will be deputized, allowing them to enforce federal immigration law as authorized through section 287 (g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

In September 2007, the Public Information and Education Division was moved from the assistant superintendent's organization chart to that of the Support Services Bureau.

A CDL testing site in Carthage, MO, became operational on September 17, 2007. A second CDL testing site, located on the same property as Troop I Headquarters, opened September 28, 2007.

Ten members were assigned full-time to the six-day, 562-mile Tour of Missouri professional cycling race. Cyclists traveled through Troops A, D, I, F, and C, as part of this inaugural race in September 2007. The 10 officers provided traffic safety and security in and around the racers. A lieutenant in each of the affected troops coordinated with local agencies to ensure proper coverage. A total of 117 riders started the Tour of Missouri, with 102 finishing it. Teams from all over the world competed.



This official groundbreaking moment included Capt. Ronald S. Johnson, Troop C; Mr. Bob Brinkmann, president of Brinkmann Constructors; Commissioner Michael N. Keathley, Office of Administration; Director Mark S. James, Department of Public Safety; Governor Matt Blunt; Colonel James F. Keathley; Representative Tom Dempsey; Representative Joe Smith; and Weldon Spring Mayor Donald Licklider.



TR,i Architects provided this drawing of the new Troop C Headquarters' front entrance.

Those present to accept the AAMVA award included (l to r): Drivers Lic. Systems Sprv. Jayne A. Wack, Missouri DOR; Senior Counsel Charles Gooch, Missouri DOR; Director Julie Allen, Motor Vehicle and Drivers License, Missouri DOR; Director of Revenue Trish Vincent, Missouri DOR; Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/SSB; Captain David P. Perkins, Q/MVI; Project Director Jackie L. Bemboom,



Otto-The Talking Car experienced an electronic overhaul in 2007. Chief Jerry L. Goans and Prob. Radio Personnel Thad W. Huff, both Q/CommD, made this happen. All vacuum-operated components were replaced. For Otto's behind the scenes operators, there is a new, high-tech console. Otto enjoyed using many of his new sound effects at the 2007 State Fair.

Missouri State Highway Patrol Trooper Walter "Corky" Burr III was named Department of Public Safety Employee of the Month for October 2007. Tpr. Burr was selected for his actions on August 12, 2007, during a shooting and hostage situation at the First Congregational Church in Neosho, MO. Tpr. Burr joined with officers from the Neosho Police Department and Newton County Sheriff's Department, and entered the church in an active shooter situation. Officers found the suspect holding a female hostage at gunpoint with approximately 30 other hostages inside of the

church, some dead and some injured. The suspect complied with the order to drop his weapon and to surrender, and was arrested without further incident.

The Patrol initiated a new traffic safety campaign in October 2007 entitled, "I'm saving lives. Help Wanted." Colonel James F. Keathley held a press conference at each troop headquarters to coincide with each troop meeting. This campaign's focus is on safety and reducing the number of traffic fatalities in Missouri. As part of the initiative, the Patrol set a goal of fewer than 1,000 traffic fatalities in 2008. The key message of the campaign is that troopers are saving lives on Missouri's

roads, and are asking motorists to help with their effort.

An ever-increasing number of criminal records checks necessitated the building of a new lobby area being built for the Criminal Records and Identification Division. The public window for criminal record checks used to be part of a storage area and



At this press conference on August 27, 2007, Governor Matt Blunt announced a new initiative to fight illegal immigration.



Commercial and non-commercial drivers will be tested at Troop I's new facility.

was difficult to access. The new lobby allows seating for 10 persons, public restrooms, and easy access to the public window. Additional parking was created also.

On December 1, 2007, Troop B members assisted with the apprehension of an escapee from Iowa, who was driving a stolen Ford pickup in Marion County. The suspect, who was from Homewood, IL, deliberately rammed three law enforcement vehicles, unsuccessfully attempted to car-jack another vehicle, and later stole a vehicle leading officers on another pursuit. The pursuit ended after the escapee crashed the vehicle he was driving on Missouri Highway 168, at the north city limits of Hannibal, MO. The suspect's actions threatened the officers attempt-



Commercial drivers will use this drive-through garage during their CDL exam (Troop I).

ing to apprehend him. In fear for their safety, the officers discharged their service weapons striking the suspect. He was pronounced dead at

the Hannibal Regional Hospital.

December 10, 2007, an ice storm hit Missouri's northern and central counties. Downed trees caused power outages and ice buildup on antennas affected radio reception in Troop F. Residents in Troop H, northern Troop B, and Troop F lost power for as long as two weeks. Troop H was without power for 39 hours. During that time, the troop's backup generator provided enough power that service to the public was not affected.



Troopers, like the one shown in the background, provided security along the race route.



The Race Command car led the way for cyclists and their team cars.



Prob. Radio Personnel Thad W. Huff (left) and Chief Jerry L. Goans updated Otto-The Talking Car's electronics in 2007.



Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt affixes a bumper sticker with the "Help Wanted" slogan to his vehicle's bumper.

2008

Fifteen commercial vehicle enforcement inspectors graduated from training on January 4, 2008. A second class of inspectors (13) graduated September 5, 2008.

On January 7, 2008, Trooper Andrew B. Ward responded to a traffic crash on Missouri Route W, one mile north of Poplar Bluff, MO. Tpr. Ward reached into the vehicle and freed an elderly woman from the burning car. The fire then consumed the vehicle.

Colonel James Keathley joined MoDOT Director Pete Rahn and other members of the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety in three separate press conferences. The press conferences were held in Columbia, St. Louis, and Springfield, in order to announce the goal of under 1,000 fatalities by 2008 was met one year early.

Two of the Patrol's fallen heroes were honored in 2008. On Friday, February 8, 2008, the portion of U.S. Highway 60 in Stoddard County from Missouri Route ZZ to Missouri Route 25 was officially renamed as the Sergeant Carl Dewayne Graham Jr. Memorial Highway. On October 20, 2008, a portion of U.S. Highway 169 in King City was named for Corporal Henry C. "Hank" Bruns.

The Patrol added nine Harley-Davidson FLHTP Electra Glide Police motorcycles to its fleet of vehicles. Motorcycles have been assigned to Troop A, Lee's Summit; Troop C, Weldon Spring; Troop D, Springfield, and Troop F, Jefferson City.

Motorcycle officers will focus on enforcement and traffic safety



Lt. Edward J. Aylward (left) and Sgt. Steven J. Frisbie hold tightly as Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Connie J. Daniels cuts the ribbon signifying CRID's new lobby is ready for the public!

in areas known for congestion, a high volume of traffic, and those undergoing construction, where it can be difficult to maneuver a patrol car.

At the annual banquet in April 2008, the Patrol recognized 13 employees who distinguished themselves during 2007. Trooper Walter L. "Corky" Burr III, Troop D, and Trooper Grant H. Hendrix, Troop D, each accepted a Valor Award. The 2007 Officer of the Year Award went to Trooper Kelsey J. Rutledge, Troop D. The Civilian of the Year Award was presented to Traffic Safety Analyst III Sandra K. Cole, Q/TFD.

Intense spring weather brought Missouri national attention in 2008. An F4 tornado hit north of Seneca, MO, on May 10. Troopers immediately responded and continued to assist over the next several days. Major media outlets responded to the scene. Multiple injuries and 14 fatalities were reported. In addition, heavy rains caused flooding along the Mississippi River, and resulted in the evacuation of several Missouri towns. The Patrol again responded. These events were declared federal disasters, the 18th and 19th in Missouri in four years.



Motorcycle officers returned to the road in 2008.

Cpl. Steven M. Salfrank and Sgt. Richard C. Fletcher Jr., both Troop A, demonstrate their new rides during a press conference.

On June 13, 2008, Tommy Ray Rollins Jr. received the following sentence from the 16th Judicial Circuit Court, Jackson County, MO:

- Count 1 — Assault of Law Enforcement Officer 1st Degree — Life In Prison.
- Count 2 — Armed Criminal Action — Life In Prison
- Count 3 — Assault 1st Degree — 15 years — Missouri Division of Adult Institutions.
- Count 4 — Unlawful Possession Of Illegal Weapon — 7 years — Missouri Division of Adult Institutions.

Counts one and two are concurrent, and counts three and four are concurrent. Counts three and four are consecutive to counts one and two. Rollins was convicted of attacking Trooper Brandon J. Brashear, Troop A, during a traffic stop on May 28, 2005. (see page 117.)

This year marked the 75th anniversary of the



Mrs. Judy Bruns (Cpl. Hank C. Bruns' widow) and Missouri Representative Jim Guest (right) unveil the Cpl. Henry C. Bruns Memorial Highway sign.

death of Sergeant Ben Booth. To recognize his sacrifice, the Patrol's Officer of the Year Award was renamed the Benjamin Oliver Booth Officer of the Year Award.

An executive decision by Governor Matt Blunt gave the Division of Drug and Crime Control the responsibility of probation and parole absconder apprehensions. The Fugitive Apprehension Unit was formed. It is authorized to include six members.



Destruction and debris remained after an F-4 tornado ripped through Newton County in May 2008.



The Patrol and other emergency service agencies formed a command center to aid in the response to an F-4 tornado.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) named Trooper Walter L. "Corky" Burr III as a finalist for the IACP/Motorola Trooper of the Year Award. He was selected for this honor for the experience, training, and leadership abilities he demonstrated on August 12, 2007, during a shooting and hostage situation at the 1st Congregational Church in Neosho, MO.

Colonel James F. Keathley and Major J. Bret Johnson served on the advisory committee for the new Missouri license plates. Along with some design changes, the new plates revert to the practice of the first letter of the plate denoting the month of expiration, which assists law enforcement.

Sixteen members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol attended training on Title 19 of the U.S. Code and are authorized to enforce those laws. Ten of the 16 also attended 287(g) training in Charleston, SC. Thus, these officers are cross-designated as U.S. customs officers.

On August 28, 2008, Governor Matt Blunt recognized four Missouri law enforcement officers with the Missouri Medal of Valor. Trooper Grant H. Hendrix, Troop D, was one of the recipients. He was honored for his actions during an incident on March 16, 2007. Tpr. Hendrix came to the aid of two Neosho police

officers who had been shot and wounded during a traffic stop. Tpr. Hendrix responded, located the suspect's vehicle, and initiated a pursuit. The suspect ambushed Tpr. Hendrix's vehicle and opened fire. Bullets struck the patrol car eight times. After a heated exchange of gunfire, the suspect fled again, with Tpr. Hendrix in pursuit. Tpr. Hendrix's actions helped ensure the suspect's apprehension.

Two recruit classes graduated in 2008. The 42 troopers in the 87th Recruit Class were commissioned July 11. The 88th Recruit Class, with 27 members, was commissioned December 19.

Lee Ann H. Kenley was pro-



Captain Lee Ann H. Kenley

moted to the rank of captain and designated commanding officer of Troop I, Rolla, MO, effective September 1, 2008. She is the first female troop commander in Patrol history.

The Tour of Missouri professional bicycle race returned in 2008. Ten officers were assigned full-time, with an additional 200 officers assisting as the race moved through Troops A, C, D, F, H, and I. Approximately 116 cyclists from around the world participated. The riders traveled mostly on numbered and lettered state highways. For each stage of the race, troopers were assigned to specific intersections and posts to ensure the safety of the riders and continuity of the race.



Professional cyclists from around the world took part in the Tour of Missouri race.

As a result of a Missouri Homeland Security federal grant, the Patrol acquired a state-of-the-art mobile command and communication vehicle. This vehicle allows interoperability between local, state, and national law enforcement during natural disasters, serious events, or an act of terrorism. Front-line Communications of Clearwater, FL, built the Mobile Command and Communication Vehicle. The Patrol took possession of the \$811,000 MCCV on September 4, 2008.

Governor Matt Blunt signed two pieces of legislation affecting the Patrol. Senate Bill 930, called the “transportation bill” covered ignition interlock devices, the enhancement of the DWI penalties, and commercial driver tests being in English only. House Bill 1549 (referred to as the “immigration bill”) directs, subject to funding, the superintendent of the Highway Patrol provide personnel for training via a memorandum of agreement between the state of Missouri and the United States Department of Homeland Security concerning the enforcement of federal immigration laws.

The last radio transmission for Troop C, St. Louis, took place October 14, 2008 — on Troop C’s official moving day. Immediately thereafter, Troop C, Weldon Spring, came online. Several hundred people attended the open house for the new headquarters on October 23, 2008. The building took 10 months to complete.

An Interstate 64 Closure Command Team addressed the logistical and traffic safety needs caused when five miles of this interstate were closed for construction. Captain Ronald S. Johnson, Troop C, joined representatives from the Missouri Department of Transportation, St. Louis County, Metro Construction, and Gateway Construction on the team. As a result of this team’s hard work, Governor Matt Blunt presented them with a Governor’s Award For Quality And Productivity in the area of Customer Service.

Juan O. Villanueva was promoted to the rank of captain and designated commanding officer of Troop D, Springfield, MO, effective December 1, 2008. He is the first Hispanic troop commander in the history of the Patrol.

On December 15, 2008, the new full service crime laboratory in Springfield,



The MCCV was on display in front of troop headquarters buildings during the October troop meetings.

This inside view shows some of the media equipment inside the MCCV.



MO, was opened with a dedication ceremony and ribbon cutting. This marked the realization of a project spanning more than four years, involving federal, state, county, city, and private individuals, and costing \$6.8 million. The new lab will offer the same services as the General Headquarters Crime Laboratory in Jefferson City. The new crime laboratory is expected to increase efficiency (fewer trips to the Southwest Missouri area will be

needed for court appearances or evidence delivery) and to relieve pressure from the GHQ Crime Laboratory (resulting in faster case processing). The Patrol laboratory system received evidence in approximately 23,000 cases in 2007, and this number is expected to continue to increase.

Other important events in 2008 include: The Missouri State Highway Patrol marked its 30th year of participation in Operation C.A.R.E. The Patrol released a new safety video, "How To Save A Life." A new training unit within the Criminal Records and Identification Division will specialize in MULES training. Troop D Headquarters replaced the 32-year-old "State Highway Patrol" sign on its building with a new one. The Division



Troop C, Weldon Spring, opened its doors on October 14, 2008.



Captain Juan O. Villanueva

of Drug and Crime Control celebrated its 25th anniversary.

2009

On January 26, 2009, a paralyzing ice storm swept the Troop E area. In Butler County, 80 percent of the population was without power. In Dunklin County, 450 people were served at five shelters. Although Kennett, MO, reported some limited power, the rest of Dunklin County reported a 100 percent power outage. Mississippi and New Madrid counties reported power outages of 85 percent and 95 percent, respectively. The Missouri Department of Transportation reported 92 road closures.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol launched a “playing card initiative” on February 1, 2009. These customized playing cards feature unsolved homicides, missing persons, wanted fugitive photos, and case profiles from more than 30 law enforcement agencies and communities in Missouri. It is hoped the cards, which are distributed to jails and prisons, will generate new tips related to these cold cases. The Missouri State Highway Patrol partnered with the Taney County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office, Bass Pro Shops, and One Missing Link Inc., to provide these cards to inmates.

The Patrol’s Statistical Analysis Center added mapping capability to the Patrol’s traffic crash

information on the agency’s web page. Using ArcIMS Mapping, viewers are able to search for crash statistics by year, date, crash type, severity, investigating agency, troop, county, city, vehicle type, and circumstances. Users can modify their view of the traffic crash map by zooming in or out or identifying a point on the map through a bubble popup.



Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B, and Tpr. Michael Kindhart, Illinois State Police, illustrate their agencies’ commitment to Operation C.A.R.E. with a handshake.

Effective April 6, 2009, the Missouri Information and Analysis Center (MIAC) was moved from the Division of Drug and Crime Control and placed directly under the Criminal Investigation Bureau. The MIAC name did not change, but it now has division-level status within the Patrol’s organizational structure. Lieutenant David A. Hall was designated MIAC director. MIAC remains the cooperative effort of several state agencies.

The MASTERS celebrated its 30th anniversary. The Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society was formed in 1979 to help survivors of troopers killed in the line of duty. This group is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

The Patrol honored 13 employees at the annual banquet. Sergeant Blaine L. Adams, Troop E, accepted the Benjamin Oliver Booth Officer Of The Year award. Automotive Technician III Sean D. Jacobs, Troop A, accepted the Civilian Of The Year award. Valor awards were presented to Sergeant Dale O. Jinkens, Troop A; Trooper Shawn

M. Dougherty, Troop G; and Trooper Andrew B. Ward, Troop E.

A jury found Lance Shockley guilty of murdering Sergeant C. Dewayne Graham Jr. in 2005. The jury could not unanimously arrive at a sentence, thus the responsibility fell on the judge. On Friday, May 22, 2009, Judge David Evans sentenced Shockley to death.

Throughout 2009, several members were honored by the Department of Public Safety and state of Missouri:

Corporal Russell A. "Sammy" Seaton accepted the February 2009 DPS Employee of the Month. He was honored for his ability to recognize a seemingly small incident and uncover information regarding serious crimes. Cpl. Seaton's investigation led to information implicating two gang members in two unsolved homicides, numerous burglaries, and drug dealings in the St. Louis area.

Sergeant Dale O. Jinkens, Troop A, observed a serious traffic crash during an unrelated traffic stop. He responded, used his fire extinguisher to push back the flames, and organized citizens to move the vehicle, so he could reach the driver. He removed the driver from the engulfed cabin and organized assistance for her until an ambulance could arrive. Sgt. Jinkens was named the March 2009 DPS Employee of the Month and the April



Playing cards featuring unsolved cases were distributed to Missouri inmates with the hope that new tips related to these cold cases would be generated.

2009 State Employee of the Month.

Trooper Lonnie R. Lejeune, Troop E, accepted the April 2009 DPS Employee of the Month award. Tpr. Lejeune was recognized for his heroic actions which saved a man's life. A man had been cutting broken tree limbs caused by recent ice storms when he ended up hanging by his neck in the tree. Tpr. Lejeune climbed the tree, hooked his left arm around the tree trunk, and placed his right arm around the unconscious man. He lifted the man up to restore his breathing and held him that way for 15 minutes until additional help arrived. Tpr. Lejeune was named May 2009 State Employee of the Month.

Accountant II Karen Laves, Q/DDCC, was named June 2009 DPS Employee of the Month. The award recognized the specialized technical assistance she provides to officers investigating financial crimes.

Sergeant Chris J. Harris, Troop F, accepted the August 2009 DPS Employee of the Month award. Sgt. Harris responded after hearing radio traffic regarding an individual making threats against a public official. The suspect was on a motorcycle, traveling 70 mph, and fired at a deputy near the city limits of Jefferson City. Concerned



The Patrol's new crime laboratory in Springfield, MO, will offer the same services as the GHQ Crime Laboratory in Jefferson City, MO.



for the safety of citizens in the area and in an effort to end the pursuit, Sgt. Harris struck the rear of the suspect's vehicle, causing it to become embedded in the patrol car's grill. The suspect fell off the motorcycle, and when he came to a stop, shot himself in the head and died at the scene. Sgt. Harris also was named September 2009 State Employee of the Month.

Trooper Timothy S. Craig, Troop C, was honored as the October 2009 DPS Employee of the Month. When heavy rainfall caused flooding on Interstate 55, the median and traffic lanes became flooded. Tpr. Craig stopped traffic on the southbound lanes, but before the northbound lanes could be stopped, a vehicle skidded out of control. It overturned in the flooded median, and came to rest on the driver's side. Tpr. Craig and a conservation agent rushed into the flood water to rescue the driver. The agent held the vehicle, which was about to roll over onto its top, while Trooper Craig removed the driver. Moments later the water rose high enough to cause the vehicle to roll over onto its top and become submerged.

Two recruit classes graduated in 2009. Members of the 89th Recruit Class graduated July 10, 2009. Members of the 90th Recruit Class graduated December 18, 2009. These two classes resulted in 29 and 25 new troopers, respectively.

Twelve new operators from across the state attended a Communications Academy from June 1 to July 2, 2009. The course included 40 hours of basic communications training giving the recruits

an overview of the skills needed for their new career.

Sergeant Terry G. Mills and Sergeant Jeffrey L. Heath, both criminal investigators within Q/DDCC, were instrumental in dismantling the largest dogfighting ring in Missouri history. The 18-month investigation into the dogfighting ring expanded into Indiana, Kentucky, Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, Iowa, and Nebraska. On July 8, 2009, federal, state, and local agents served 28 federal search warrants and two state search warrants. Twenty-eight subjects were arrested on federal and state charges. The 507 pit bulls seized quickly became over 600 as many of the dogs gave birth in the month after they were removed



Colonel James F. Keathley (left) and DPS Director John M. Britt (right) presented the August 2009 DPS

from their owners. This investigation had a serious impact on dogfighting in the Midwest.

The first four dogfighters charged as a result of this investigation were sentenced in Eastern District of Missouri, St. Louis, on Tuesday, December 8, 2009. Two of the dogfighter defendants received 12 months and one day in prison; two defendants received an 18-month sentence. The federal judge, who is bound by the federal sentencing guidelines (of probation up to six months), ordered an "upward departure" from the guidelines due to the facts of the case.

Former Governor Warren Hearnes died on August 16, 2009, at his home in Charleston, MO, at the age of 86. In his will, Gov. Hearnes included a request that members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol serve as pallbearers. The Patrol honored this request, providing escort to Gov. Hearnes' body to and from Jefferson City, keeping watch while he lie in state in the Capitol rotunda, and acting as pallbearers in Jefferson City and Charleston.

Missouri's expanded DNA profiling law, which took effect on August 28, 2009, quickly paid dividends for law enforcement and the victim of one crime in Jasper County. This new law expanded the collection of DNA to include anyone who is 17 years of age or older, and who is arrested for first or second degree burglary or a felony offense involving crimes against a person, sex offenses, prostitution, or pornography. On May 9, 2009, Jasper County Sheriff's Department deputies investigated the burglary of



Troop E officers served as pallbearers for Governor Warren Hearnes' funeral in Charleston, MO.

a convenience store on Missouri Route 66 at the Kansas State Line. Investigators recovered blood evidence inside the store near a broken window and the evidence was entered into CODIS (Combined DNA Index System).

The case remained unsolved and without a suspect until the arrest of an individual on September 12, 2009, by the Carl Junction Police Department stemming from the burglary of an elementary school. The DNA sample collected from the arrestee pursuant to the new law led to a "match" with the sample collected from the earlier burglary. On October 2, 2009, the Jasper County Sheriff's Department was notified by Criminalist Supervisor Jason L. Wyckoff from the Springfield Crime Laboratory. The "match" from the Jasper County case, analyzed at the Patrol's Springfield Crime Lab, resulted in the first criminal charge being filed as a result of the new law.

On October 31, 2009, Trooper Dewey K. Heppe, Troop E, was off duty and working in his yard when he saw a two seat, Piper single engine airplane crash during takeoff on a private air strip behind his property. Tpr. Heppe had his personal cellular telephone with him at the time, and imme-



This pit bull named Diesel runs on a treadmill. Dogs being trained for a fight run for hours at a time.

diately called Troop E Headquarters for assistance as he ran to the scene. As he ran toward the crash, the airplane exploded, which engulfed the cockpit in flames. Without regard to his own safety, Tpr. Heppe reached into the burning wreckage and pulled the passenger from the aircraft. He then began to extinguish the flames and removed the burning clothing from the man. Tpr. Heppe reported the man's breathing was shallow as he was extinguishing the flames, but then the gentleman, who was severely burned, stopped breathing. Tpr. Heppe was unable to get to the pilot of the aircraft due to the flames, and sustained minor burns on his hands from the fire.

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) reaccredited the Missouri State Highway Patrol at its fall conference banquet in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Saturday evening, November 21, 2009. This marks the sixth time the Patrol has successfully been reviewed and approved for accreditation. CALEA also recognized the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a Flagship Agency and awarded the Patrol a Meritorious Award during the conference.

Corporal Dennis E. Engelhard (355), 49, was struck by a vehicle at 10:30 a.m., on December 25, 2009. Cpl. Engelhard was completing a traffic crash investigation on westbound Interstate



Otto-The Talking Car attended the Missouri State Fair for the 30th time. To celebrate his years of service, the Patrol gave him a new convertible top.

44 east of Eureka, MO, when another driver lost control of his vehicle on the ice covered roadway and struck him. Cpl. Engelhard was transported to the St. Clair Health Center where he succumbed to his injuries at 11:20 a.m. Cpl. Engelhard joined the Patrol on March 15, 2000. He is survived by his parents and a brother, sister-in-law, niece, and nephews. Cpl. Engelhard is the 28th member of the Patrol to make the ultimate sacrifice while serving and protecting the citizens of Missouri.

Other items of interest include: K-9 Kai retired effective March 31, 2009. Kai served 6 1/2 years. He will remain with his handler, Corporal Matthew J. Broniec, Troop F. The Patrol released two short videos: 1) Aggressive Driving and 2) Missouri's Graduated Driver License law. These videos were made available via the Internet.

The Criminal Records and Identification Division became the Criminal Justice Information Services Division to more accurately reflect its organizational structure and responsibilities.

For the fourth year in a row, Missouri experienced a decrease in traffic fatalities. In 2009, the 878 traffic deaths were the lowest number for Missouri in 60 years.

The Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) turned 20 years old. AFIS revolutionized the area of fingerprint identification. To mark this anniversary, the Criminal Justice Information Services Division hosted an open house on January 13, 2010.



Corporal Dennis E. Engelhard